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1 [REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION,
2 TUESDAY, JULY 15, 2003, BEGINS ON PAGE 86.]

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4 For your information, there was no reportable action as a
5 result of today's closed session.

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8 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THIS MORNING, WE'D LIKE TO ASK EVERYONE TO
9 START TOWARDS THEIR SEATS. THIS MORNING, THE INVOCATION WILL
10 BE LED BY SUPERVISOR MICHAEL ANTONOVICH. THE PLEDGE OF
11 ALLEGIANCE WILL BE LED BY IRWIN ZUCKER, MEMBER OF THE SAN
12 FERNANDO VALLEY POST NUMBER 603, JEWISH WAR VETERANS OF THE
13 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FROM THE FIRST DISTRICT. PLEASE
14 STAND. NEEDLESS TO SAY, WHEN I SAY THAT IT'S GOING TO HAVE THE
15 PRAYER, THAT WE ALSO ASK PEOPLE TO STOP TALKING. THANK YOU
16 VERY MUCH.

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18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** DEAR FATHER, WE ASK YOUR BLESSINGS UPON OUR
19 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TODAY, UPON OUR COUNTY, STATE AND NATION.
20 WE PRAY THAT OUR DECISIONS ARE MADE WITH YOUR GUIDANCE AND WE
21 PRAY THAT A GREATER UNDERSTANDING OF THE PROBLEMS OF OUR
22 COUNTY, ALONG WITH OUR STATE AND FEDERAL GOVERNMENT ARE
23 UNDERSTOOD BY OUR CITIZENS AND WE IN TURN ARE ABLE TO WORK
24 TOGETHER TO MAKE A BETTER PLACE FOR ALL. WE ASK ALL OF THESE
25 IN YOUR HOLY NAME. AMEN.



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2 **IRWIN ZUCKER:** PLEASE FACE THE FLAG, PLACE YOUR RIGHT HAND OVER
3 YOUR HEART, AND JOIN ME IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. [PLEDGE
4 OF ALLEGIANCE]

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6 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA WILL BE HERE SHORTLY TO
7 MAKE THE PRESENTATION, BUT WE'LL GO FORWARD WITH THE AGENDA.
8 SHE'LL TAKE YOU OVER THERE. ALL RIGHT, LET SUPERVISOR MOLINA
9 TAKE HER PHOTOGRAPH WITH THE -- YOUR PLEDGE. SHE'S RIGHT
10 BEHIND YOU. YES.

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12 **SUP. MOLINA:** I WANT TO APOLOGIZE TO THE BOARD AND MR. ZUCKER
13 FOR BEING LATE. IT IS MY PLEASURE TO INTRODUCE TO YOU IRWIN
14 ZUCKER. MR. ZUCKER IS WITH THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY POST NUMBER
15 603 OF THE JEWISH WAR VETERANS OF THE UNITED STATES. HE SERVED
16 AS PRIVATE FIRST CLASS WITH THE 60TH ANTI-AIRCRAFT ARTILLERY
17 BATTALION OF THE UNITED STATES ARMY FROM 1952 TO 1954 IN
18 KOREA. HIS DECORATIONS INCLUDE AN ARMY GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL, A
19 NATIONAL DEFENSE SERVICE MEDAL, THE KOREAN SERVICE MEDAL WITH
20 TWO STARS, THE UNITED NATIONS SERVICE MEDAL AND THE REPUBLIC
21 OF KOREA WAR SERVICE MEDAL. MR. ZUCKER IS A PARALEGAL WITH THE
22 COUNTY AND RESIDES IN MONTEREY PARK. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR
23 LEADING US TODAY IN OUR PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. [APPLAUSE]

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25 **IRWIN ZUCKER:** THANK YOU.



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2 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE'LL NOW GO FORWARD WITH THE
3 AGENDA.

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5 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. MEMBERS OF THE
6 BOARD WE'LL BEGIN ON PAGE 2. ON ITEM CS-2, THE COUNTY COUNSEL
7 REQUESTS A ONE-WEEK CONTINUANCE. ON PAGE --

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9 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** CONTINUED FOR ONE WEEK.

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11 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** ON PAGE 6, AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE
12 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, ITEM 1-D THROUGH 4-D.

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14 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY MOLINA, SECONDED BY ANTONOVICH.
15 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

16

17 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ITEMS 1 THROUGH 12,
18 I HAVE THE FOLLOWING REQUEST. ON ITEM NUMBER 1, HOLD FOR
19 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. ON ITEM NUMBER 5, HOLD FOR GENEVIEVE
20 CLAVREUL AND OTHERS, AND THE REST ARE BEFORE YOU.

21

22 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ON THE REMAINDER, MOVED BY KNABE, SECONDED
23 BY MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

24



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1 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER, ITEMS 13 THROUGH
2 15.

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4 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** IT'S MOVED BY ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY
5 MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

6

7 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** BEACHES AND HARBORS, ITEM 16.

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9 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY KNABE, SECONDED BY YAROSLAVSKY.
10 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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12 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, ITEMS
13 17 AND 18.

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15 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY MOLINA, SECONDED BY ANTONOVICH.
16 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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18 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** DISTRICT ATTORNEY, 19.

19

20 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY KNABE.
21 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

22

23 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** FIRE DEPARTMENT, ITEMS 20 AND 21.

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1 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED BY KNABE.

2 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

3

4 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** HEALTH SERVICES, ITEMS 22 THROUGH 29. ON

5 ITEM NUMBER 22, AS NOTED ON THE GREEN SHEET, THE DIRECTOR

6 REQUESTS THE ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK.

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8 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ITEM 22 WILL BE CONTINUED FOR ONE WEEK. ON

9 THE REMAINDER, IT'S MOVED BY MOLINA, SECONDED BY YAROSLAVSKY.

10 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

11

12 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** I'M SORRY, MADAM CHAIR. ON ITEM 26, WE

13 WANT TO HOLD THAT FOR SUPERVISOR KNABE.

14

15 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ITEM 26 WILL BE HELD BY -- FOR SUPERVISOR

16 KNABE.

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18 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** THANK YOU.

19

20 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ON THE REMAINDER, IT'S MOVED BY MOLINA,

21 SECONDED BY KNABE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

22

23 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** PARKS AND RECREATION, ITEMS 30 AND 31.

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1 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY KNABE.

2 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

3

4 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES, ITEM 32.

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6 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY KNABE, SECONDED BY YAROSLAVSKY.

7 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

8

9 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** PUBLIC WORKS, ITEMS 33 THROUGH 47. ON

10 ITEM NUMBER 33, SUPERVISOR BURKE REQUESTS A ONE-WEEK

11 CONTINUANCE.

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13 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ITEM 33 WILL BE CONTINUED FOR ONE WEEK. ON

14 THE REMAINDER, MOVED BY MOLINA, SECONDED BY ANTONOVICH.

15 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

16

17 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** SANITATION DISTRICT, ITEM 48. SUPERVISOR

18 YAROSLAVSKY REQUESTS A ONE-WEEK CONTINUANCE.

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20 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ITEM 48 WILL BE CONTINUED FOR ONE WEEK. SO

21 ORDERED.

22

23 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** SHERIFF, ITEMS 49 THROUGH 52.

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1 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED BY MOLINA.
2 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

3

4 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS, ITEMS 53
5 THROUGH 57.

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7 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY MOLINA, SECONDED BY ANTONOVICH.
8 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

9

10 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION, ITEM 58, AN
11 ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 5, PERSONNEL OF THE LOS ANGELES
12 COUNTY CODE BY ADDING SECTION 5.64.095 RELATING TO THE
13 RETENTION OF BADGES.

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15 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY KNABE, SECONDED BY MOLINA. WITHOUT
16 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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18 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** SEPARATE MATTERS, ITEMS 59 THROUGH 61. 59
19 IS THE TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR'S RECOMMENDATION TO ADOPT
20 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF LOS ANGELES
21 COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS ELECTION
22 2003, AN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$280
23 MILLION. THAT ITEM IS BEFORE YOU.

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1 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY MOLINA, SECONDED BY KNABE. WITHOUT
2 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

3

4 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** ITEM 60, TREASURE AND TAX COLLECTOR'S
5 RECOMMENDATION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE
6 AND SALE OF GLENDALE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, 2003 GENERAL
7 OBLIGATION BONDS ELECTION 1997 SERIES F, AN AGGREGATE
8 PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$20 MILLION.

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10 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY
11 YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

12

13 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** AND 61, TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR'S
14 RECOMMENDATION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE BORROWING
15 OF FUNDS IN THE NAME OF ABC UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR FISCAL
16 YEAR 2003/2004 AND THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF 2003 TAX AND
17 REVENUE ANTICIPATION NOTES AND PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED
18 \$15 MILLION.

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20 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY KNABE, SECONDED BY YAROSLAVSKY.
21 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

22

23 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** MISCELLANEOUS, ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA
24 REQUESTED BY BOARD MEMBERS AND THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE
25 OFFICER, WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF



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1 THE MEETING, AS INDICATED ON THE GREEN SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA.
2 62-A.

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4 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY KNABE, SECONDED BY MOLINA. WITHOUT
5 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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7 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** 62-B.

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9 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY KNABE.
10 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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12 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** 62-C.

13

14 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY
15 YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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17 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** 62-D.

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19 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY MOLINA.
20 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

21

22 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** AND THEN ALSO, MADAM CHAIR, ATTACHED TO
23 THE AGENDA IS THE SPECIAL MEETING FOR THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT
24 BUDGET COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE AND THE DIRECTOR IS REQUESTING
25 THAT THAT AGENDA BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO JULY 29, 2003.



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2 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, IT WILL BE CONTINUED FOR
3 TWO WEEKS.

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5 **SPEAKER:** WHICH ITEM'S THIS?

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7 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** THAT'S THE AGENDA ATTACHED TO THE HEALTH
8 DEPARTMENT AGENDA. OKAY. SO THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE
9 AGENDA. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH
10 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT NUMBER 3.

11

12 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** I HAVE A CONSUL-GENERAL FOR INDONESIA.
13 LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, TODAY WE'RE WELCOMING TO LOS ANGELES THE
14 NEW CONSUL-GENERAL OF INDONESIA, HONORABLE HANDRINO KUSUMO-
15 PRIYO, AND CONSUL-GENERAL KUSUMO-PRIYO IS A GRADUATE OF THE
16 UNIVERSITY OF INDONESIA. HE THEN PARTICIPATED IN THE UNITED
17 NATIONS GRADUATE INTERNSHIP PROGRAM IN NEW YORK CITY. HIS
18 ASSIGNMENTS IN THE FOREIGN SERVICE OF INDONESIA AGAIN TOOK HIM
19 TO THE UNITED NATIONS IN NEW YORK FOR ALMOST -- FOR TWO
20 DIFFERENT POSTINGS. THEN TO GENEVA ON A U.N. ASSIGNMENT TO
21 MOSCOW AS HEAD OF THE POLITICAL SECTION IN THE INDONESIAN
22 EMBASSY AND FINALLY TO LOS ANGELES AS CONSUL-GENERAL. HIS
23 OVERSEAS ASSIGNMENTS ALTERNATE WITH JOBS IN INDONESIA, IN THE
24 DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS WITH AN EMPHASIS ON POLITICAL
25 AFFAIRS. JUST PRIOR TO BEING ASSIGNED TO LOS ANGELES, HE WAS



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1 DIRECTOR OF PROTOCOL. HE'S RECEIVED TWO MEDALS OF APPRECIATION
2 FROM THE INDONESIAN GOVERNMENT FOR HIS ROYALTY AND DEDICATION.
3 THE CONSUL-GENERAL IS JOINED HERE IN LOS ANGELES BY HIS WIFE
4 AND TWO CHILDREN, AND CONSUL-GENERAL PLEASE ACCEPT THIS PLAQUE
5 AS THE EXPRESSION OF OUR WELCOME. WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING
6 WITH YOU AND WE CERTAINLY HOPE THAT YOU WILL ENJOY YOUR STAY
7 HERE. AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU AND -- YES LET'S GET A
8 GROUP PHOTO. MAYBE WE COULD HAVE HIM SAY A WORD FIRST AND THEN
9 WE'LL TAKE A GROUP PHOTO.

10

11 **CONSUL-GENERAL:** SUPERVISOR BURKE AND DEAR MEMBER OF THE BOARD
12 OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. IT IS INDEED A GREAT
13 HONOR FOR ME TO RECEIVE A WELCOMING PLAQUE MARKING THE
14 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT THE CONSUL-GENERAL OF THE REPUBLIC OF
15 INDONESIA IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. I THINK THIS PLAQUE ALSO
16 REPRESENTS RELATIONS AND COOPERATION'S BETWEEN OUR TWO OFFICES
17 AND OUR PEOPLE WHICH HAS ALREADY EXISTED ON MUTUAL INTERESTS.
18 I BELIEVE THAT THIS EVENT WILL CONTRIBUTE A MILESTONE IN
19 STRENGTHENING BETTER RELATIONSHIP AND COOPERATION BETWEEN
20 INDONESIA AND THE UNITED STATES. I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO EXPRESS
21 MY SENSE OF APPRECIATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY
22 OF LOS ANGELES, AND THEIR STAFF, WHO HAVE MADE THIS
23 PRESENTATION POSSIBLE. THE RELATIONS BETWEEN INDONESIA AND THE
24 UNITED STATES ARE SIGNIFICANTLY GROWING AND WILL BE FULLY
25 ENHANCED IN THE FUTURE. WITHIN THIS CONTACT WE CAN DEVELOP FOR



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1 EXAMPLE, EXCHANGE OF OFFICIAL VISITS, LIKE IMMIGRATION OF
2 CONSULAR OFFICIALS, INFORMATION OFFICIALS, BUSINESSMEN,
3 STUDENTS, ARTISTS, ET CETERA. ALSO EXCHANGE OF CULTURE AND ART
4 MISSIONS, BETWEEN LOS ANGELES AND ONE OF THE CITY IN INDONESIA
5 SUCH AS JAKARTA, UJUNG PANDANG, MANARDO, ET CETERA. AND ALSO
6 DEVELOPING SMALL BUSINESS BETWEEN LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND
7 INDONESIA, WHICH WILL BE INITIATED IN THE COMING FUTURE.
8 BEFORE CLOSING MY REMARKS, ONCE AGAIN, I WOULD LIKE TO THANK
9 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND THEIR
10 STAFF FOR THE ARRANGEMENT OF THIS EVENT FOR WHICH I AM DEEPLY
11 HONORED. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE]

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13 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. [MIXED VOICES]

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15 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, DO YOU HAVE
16 PRESENTATIONS? [MIXED VOICES]

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18 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** IT'S A PLEASURE TO INTRODUCE THE JULY 2003
19 EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH, DARREN LEVINE. DARREN LEVINE, A 13-YEAR
20 EMPLOYEE OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, IS CURRENTLY WORKING AS
21 DEPUTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY III IN THE DISTRICT ATTORNEYS'
22 OFFICE, WHERE, IN 2003, HE WAS ABLE TO BRING TO JUSTICE THE
23 KILLER IN AN UNSOLVED 45-YEAR-OLD DOUBLE MURDER OF TWO ON-DUTY
24 EL SEGUNDO POLICE OFFICERS AND HAS SUCCESSFULLY PROSECUTED
25 OTHER CASES INVOLVING CRIMES AGAINST POLICE OFFICERS. HE IS A



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1 NOTED EXPERT IN THE KRAV MARGA, OFFICIAL MARTIAL ARTS SYSTEM
2 FOR ISRAELI DEFENSE FORCES, AND HIS EFFORTS OUTSIDE THE OFFICE
3 HAVE HELPED ENSURE THAT FEWER LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ARE
4 INJURED OR KILLED ON THE JOB, AND HE SERVES AS A COUNTER
5 TERRORISM CONSULTANT TO ELITE UNITS IN THE U.S. MILITARY, AND
6 FOR MORE THAN 100 LOCAL STATE, FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT
7 AGENCIES. MR. LEVINE, HIS FAMILY, AND HIS KRAV MARGA
8 ASSOCIATES SPEND A TREMENDOUS AMOUNT OF TIME DURING THE YEAR
9 RAISING MONEY FOR A NUMBER OF LOCAL AND NATIONAL CHARITABLE
10 ORGANIZATIONS WHICH INCLUDE THE MAKE A WISH FOUNDATION, REVLON
11 CANCER WALK, AND THE A.I.D.S. PROJECT OF LOS ANGELES. IN
12 RECOGNITION OF THESE ACCOMPLISHMENTS, YOUR DEDICATION AND HARD
13 WORK, IT IS MY PLEASURE TO CONGRATULATE YOU AND PRESENT YOU
14 THIS SCROLL COMMENDING YOU AS A 2003 EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH. [
15 APPLAUSE]

16

17 **DARREN LEVINE:** I JUST WANT TO THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
18 VERY MUCH FOR THIS OFFER -- THIS HONOR. AND IT IS SO
19 MEANINGFUL TO ME, SO APPRECIATED, AND TO THE MEMBERS OF MY
20 OFFICE WHO ARE HERE, I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR BEING HERE, AND I
21 ALSO WANT TO THANK THIS OFFICE FOR ALWAYS GIVING MY UNIT, THE
22 CAPITALIST UNIT, OUR UNIT, I SHOULD SAY, THE SUPPORT WE NEED
23 TO BRING PEOPLE WHO MURDER POLICE OFFICERS, PEOPLE WHO INJURE
24 POLICE OFFICERS WHILE DOING A VERY DIFFICULT JOB, OUR OFFICE
25 HELPS US BRING THESE PEOPLE TO JUSTICE, AND TO THE MEMBERS OF



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1 LAW ENFORCEMENT THAT ARE HERE, I DON'T THINK THERE IS A MORE
2 IMPORTANT ROLE THAT PROSECUTORS CAN HAVE IN THIS SOCIETY THAN
3 PROTECT THE MEN AND WOMEN WHO PUT THEIR LIVES ON THE LINE
4 EVERY DAY FOR US, AND ALL I CAN SAY IS, IT'S AN HONOR TO DO
5 WHAT I DO. I DON'T KNOW WHY I'M RECEIVING THIS AWARD OTHER
6 THAN THE JOB IN AND OF ITSELF IS HONOR ENOUGH, BUT THANK YOU
7 VERY MUCH FOR THIS RECOGNITION. [APPLAUSE]

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9 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** CONGRATULATIONS. OKAY, SUPERVISOR
10 YAROSLAVSKY?

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12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I ASK JACQUELYN MCCROSKEY TO JOIN ME HERE
13 FOR A SECOND. JACQUELYN MCCROSKEY CURRENTLY SERVES WITH GREAT
14 DISTINCTION AS CHAIR OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY CHILDREN'S
15 PLANNING COUNCIL'S DATA COMMITTEE. SHE'S A MEMBER OF THE
16 POLICY ROUND TABLE FOR CHILD CARE, A MEMBER OF THE LOS ANGELES
17 CITY COMMISSION FOR CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND THEIR FAMILIES, AND
18 IS AN EX-OFFICIO MEMBER OF THE FIRST FIVE L.A. COMMISSION.
19 JACQUELYN HAS CONTRIBUTED GREATLY TO THE COUNTY'S PROGRESS
20 TOWARDS INTEGRATING HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO IMPROVE
21 OUTCOMES FOR KIDS AND FAMILIES, SERVING AS A KEY ADVISOR TO
22 DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT THE COUNTY'S STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL 5,
23 CHILDREN AND FAMILIES', I CAN'T READ THIS, CHILDREN AND
24 FAMILIES' WELL BEING AND PLAYING A CRITICAL ROLE IN THE
25 DEVELOPMENT OF THE CHILDREN AND FAMILIES' BUDGET. JACQUELYN



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1 HAS EXHIBITED EXTRAORDINARY LEADERSHIP IN EDUCATING COUNTY
2 DEPARTMENTS, CITIES, SCHOOL DISTRICTS, THE BUSINESS
3 COMMUNITIES, SERVICE PROVIDERS, AND COMMUNITIES ON THE
4 IMPORTANCE OF EMPHASIZING CHILD AND FAMILY OUTCOMES AND
5 DESIGNING SYSTEMS, PROGRAMS AND INITIATIVES. SHE'S ALSO
6 REPEATEDLY DEMONSTRATED THE KNOWLEDGE, RESEARCH, AND EXPERTISE
7 AND PERSONAL COMMITMENT TO ACHIEVING RESULTS AND LONG LASTING
8 SYSTEMIC CHANGES WHICH HAVE PROVEN INVALUABLE IN MAKING A
9 DIFFERENCE IN THE LIVES OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES IN THE COUNTY
10 OF LOS ANGELES. SO I WANT TO RESOLVE -- THE BOARD OF
11 SUPERVISORS RESOLVES TODAY THAT JACQUELYN MCCROSKEY BE HIGHLY
12 COMMENDED FOR ALL OF HER ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND SHE'S EXTENDED
13 SINCERE CONGRATULATIONS AS THE MOST DESERVING RECIPIENT OF THE
14 SOCIAL WORKER OF THE YEAR AWARD FOR BOTH THE COUNTY OF LOS
15 ANGELES AND THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, WHICH IS WHY WE BROUGHT
16 HER HERE TODAY, AND WISHING HER BEST WISHES FOR CONTINUED
17 SUCCESS IN ALL FURTHER ENDEAVORS. ALL THAT GOBBLEDYGOOK ASIDE
18 THAT'S IN THE RESOLUTION, I JUST WANT TO SAY A PERSONAL WORD.
19 HAVING -- I HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO WORK WITH AND PRIMARILY
20 OBSERVE AND BENEFIT FROM THE WISDOM OF JACQUELYN AS A MEMBER
21 OF THE CHILDREN'S PLANNING COUNCILS WHEN I WAS A CHAIR PRO TEM
22 HERE AND THE FIRST FIVE COMMISSION, AND JUST GENERALLY ON
23 ISSUES THAT HAVE ARISEN RELATING TO KIDS AND INTEGRATING
24 SERVICES TO KIDS SO THAT IT'S KIND OF A SEAMLESS OBJECTIVE
25 THAT YOU'VE HAD IS TO HAVE A SEAMLESS APPROACH TO DEALING WITH



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1 THE NEEDS AND THE CHALLENGES HAVE OUR KIDS HAVE. YOU'VE BEEN A
2 VERY INFLUENTIAL INDIVIDUAL IN ADVANCING THE INTERESTS OF
3 CHILDREN IN OUR COUNTY, AND I WOULD SUGGEST BEYOND THE COUNTY
4 EVEN ACROSS THE NATION. IF ANYBODY WONDERS WHETHER ONE PERSON
5 CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE, JACQUELYN, I THINK YOU'VE PROVEN THAT
6 IN YOUR CASE, ONE PERSON HAS MADE A WORLD OF DIFFERENCE, AND I
7 WANT TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS, CONGRATULATE YOU ON
8 YOUR AWARDS, AND WISH YOU CONTINUED SUCCESS AND LIFETIME
9 TENURE AS A VOLUNTEER FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, AND WE'LL
10 DOUBLE YOUR PAY FROM WHAT YOU GOT LAST YEAR. CONGRATULATIONS.

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12 **JACQUELYN MCCROSKEY:** THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

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14 **SUP. KNABE:** MADAM CHAIR, MADAM CHAIR, I'D JUST LIKE TO ADD,
15 AND I'VE HAD THE PLEASURE NOW TWICE OF WORKING WITH JACQUELYN
16 ON THE CHILDREN'S PLANNING COUNCIL AND, YOU KNOW, AS I TOLD MY
17 STAFF YESTERDAY, I SAID THERE WOULD NOT BE THE ACCUMULATION
18 AND ASSIMILATION OF DATA OF LIFE CHANGING DATA FOR CHILDREN IF
19 IT WASN'T FOR JACQUELYN, HER EFFORTS IN ACCUMULATING. AND
20 SOMEBODY HAD TO DO IT, IT'S VERY TEDIOUS WORK AND EVERYTHING
21 ELSE, THE ACCUMULATION, BUT SHE STUCK WITH IT AND THIS COUNTY
22 AND THE CHILDREN OF THIS COUNTY ARE BETTER OFF BECAUSE OF
23 PEOPLE LIKE JACQUELYN, AND I JUST WANT TO SAY THANK YOU AS
24 WELL TOO.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHY DON'T YOU SAY A WORD.

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3 **JACQUELYN MCCROSKEY:** I JUST MAINLY WANT TO THANK ALL OF YOU
4 FOR YOUR EVERYDAY ATTENTION TO THE NEEDS OF CHILDREN AND
5 FAMILIES AND FOR YOUR ALWAYS BEING READY TO BE RESPONSIVE TO
6 THE NEW DATA OR NEW INFORMATION THAT COMES ALONG. I THINK YOU
7 GUYS HAVE MADE A WORLD OF DIFFERENCE IN TERMS OF HOW KIDS AND
8 FAMILIES FARE IN THIS COUNTY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THIS
9 RECOGNITION. IT'S QUITE WONDERFUL. [APPLAUSE]

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11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MADAM CHAIR, BEFORE I SURRENDER THE MIC, I
12 DIDN'T SEE DAVID SANDERS BEHIND ME, AND I THINK I'D LIKE TO
13 ASK HIM TO A WORD ABOUT JACQUELYN.

14

15 **DAVID SANDERS:** I WANT TO CONGRATULATE JACQUELYN ON RECEIVING
16 THE HONOR AND SHE HAS BEEN AN EXEMPLARY PARTNER WITH THE
17 DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES AND HAVE OF GREAT
18 ASSISTANCE TO US, ESPECIALLY IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF OUR
19 COMMUNITY-BASED PROGRAMS AND THE CHILDREN AND FAMILIES OF THE
20 COUNTY AS WELL AS OUR DEPARTMENT HAVE BENEFITED FROM HER
21 KNOWLEDGE AND HER ASSISTANCE. SO THANK YOU, AND PERSONALLY
22 YOU'VE BEEN TREMENDOUS, SO THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

23

24 **SUP. KNABE:** MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, IT'S MY
25 PLEASURE TO INVITE DR. REBEKAH TURRENTINE FORWARD TO JOIN ME



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1 HERE. AS SO HAPPENS SO MANY TIMES THIS IS ONE OF THOSE MIXED
2 EMOTION EVENTS. DR. TURRENTINE IS THE SUPERINTENDENT THE
3 BELLFLOWER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, IN AUGUST DR. BECKY AS SHE
4 IS KNOWN, WILL BE RETIRING. I'VE HAD THE PRIVILEGE OF KNOWING
5 BECKY FOR MANY YEARS, AND I JUST WOULD SHARE WITH YOU HER
6 GENUINE CARE AND CONCERN FOR THE CHILDREN NOT ONLY OF THIS
7 SCHOOL DISTRICT BUT OF THIS COUNTY IS UNPARALLELED, AND HER
8 RELATIONSHIP TO THE IMPORTANCE OF THEIR EDUCATION, HER
9 RELATIONSHIP WITH HER TEACHERS AND STAFF, AGAIN, UNPARALLELED.
10 LAST YEAR, THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS RECOGNIZED HER
11 ACCOMPLISHMENT AS THE ASSOCIATION OF CALIFORNIA SCHOOL
12 ADMINISTRATORS SUPERINTENDENT OF THE YEAR. IN ADDITION TO HER
13 EXTRAORDINARY CAREER IN EDUCATION, DR. BECKY HAS ALSO MADE
14 SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTIONS IN THE BELLFLOWER COMMUNITY AS WELL.
15 SHE'S BEEN ACTIVE IN MANY SERVICE CLUBS, WAS ONE OF THE
16 FOUNDING MEMBERS OF THE BELLFLOWER'S ALTERNATIVE TO GANGS
17 PROGRAM, WHICH REWARDS STUDENTS FOR THEIR CHARACTER AND
18 PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT. OBVIOUSLY SHE'S DEFINITELY GOING TO BE
19 MISSED, AND SO ON BEHALF OF MYSELF AND MY COLLEAGUES HERE ON
20 THE BOARD, THE MEMBERS OF YOUR SCHOOL BOARD, THE SCHOOL
21 DISTRICT, AND MOST IMPORTANTLY ALL THE CITIZENS OF THIS GREAT
22 COUNTY, WE SAY THANK YOU FOR A JOB WELL DONE, YOU WILL TRULY
23 BE MISSED, AND WE'VE ENJOYED EVERY MINUTE WORKING WITH YOU AND
24 WISH YOU THE VERY, VERY BEST IN WHATEVER YOUR FUTURE PLANS MAY
25 HOLD. [APPLAUSE]



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2 **DR. TURRENTINE:** I'D LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISOR KNABE FOR THIS
3 RECOGNITION AND I'D ALSO LIKE TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO SAY
4 THAT IT HAS BEEN A GREAT PRIVILEGE TO SPEND MY CAREER SERVING
5 CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES IN L.A. COUNTY, BUT PARTICULARLY
6 IN SUPERVISOR KNABE'S DISTRICT, WHERE CHILDREN ARE A FOCUS AND
7 WHERE PUBLIC EDUCATION RECEIVES TREMENDOUSLY STRONG SUPPORT.
8 I'D ALSO LIKE TO SAY THAT IT'S MY PERSONAL BELIEF THAT
9 SUPERVISOR KNABE IS A SHINING EXAMPLE OF WHAT GOVERNMENT OUGHT
10 TO BE. THANK YOU, DON. [APPLAUSE]

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WELL NOW WE WOULD LIKE TO RECOGNIZE NEWS
13 ANCHOR CHRISTINE DEVINE'S PROFILES EVERY WEDNESDAY AND SUNDAY
14 NIGHT'S PROGRAM ON CHANNEL 11'S FOX 10 O'CLOCK NEWS SEGMENT,
15 WHICH IS 'CHILDREN LOOKING FOR LOVING FAMILIES TO CALL THEIR
16 OWN,' AND 'WEDNESDAY'S CHILD,' AS SHE WORKS CLOSELY WITH THE
17 FREDDIE MCDONALD, I SHOULD SAY THE FREDDIE MAC FOUNDATION AND
18 THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES. WITH US THIS
19 MORNING ARE PEOPLE FROM THE FREDDIE MAC FOUNDATION, DEPARTMENT
20 OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES AND CHANNEL 11 FOX NEWS. FOR
21 THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN WATCHING, WE KNOW THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN
22 THAT SHE HAS BEEN ABLE TO SUCCESSFULLY FIND LOVING HOMES FOR.
23 I BELIEVE OVER 400 FOSTER CHILDREN HAVE BEEN PLACED IN
24 PERMANENT HOMES OVER THE PAST EIGHT YEARS. THIS IS REMARKABLE.
25 AND THOSE WHO ARE WATCHING ON TELEVISION OR IN THE AUDIENCE



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1 WE'D LIKE YOU TO KNOW THAT THERE ARE HUNDREDS OF FOSTER
2 CHILDREN WHO WOULD ALSO LIKE TO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY OF HAVING
3 LOVING, PERMANENT HOMES AND YOU CAN BE THAT REALLY LIFE LINE
4 OF OPPORTUNITY FOR THESE CHILDREN. SO WHAT WE WOULD LIKE TO DO
5 TODAY IS TO RECOGNIZE EACH OF THESE INDIVIDUALS FOR THEIR
6 CONTRIBUTIONS, FOR FINDING THESE HOMES, AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO
7 WORKING WITH THEM IN THE YEARS AHEAD, FINDING MORE HOMES.
8 FIRST IS TO CHRISTINE, AND AGAIN, CHRISTINE NOT ONLY DOES THE
9 SEGMENT ON WEDNESDAY'S CHILD, BUT SHE ALSO TAKES TIME TO BE
10 MISTRESS OF CEREMONIES FOR MANY OF THE PROGRAMS FOR OUR
11 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND OTHER COUNTY ACTIVITIES. SO,
12 CHRISTINE, CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE]

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND WE HAVE CONNIE FREAN FROM THE FREDDIE MAC
15 FOUNDATION. [APPLAUSE]

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE HAVE CAROLINE JANIK WONG AS FOX NEWS
18 MARKETING PRODUCER. SHE'S COMING, OKAY. [APPLAUSE]

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20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** VERONICA CARILLO, NEWS SALES DEPARTMENT
21 CHANNEL 11 FOX NEWS.

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23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SARI GRANT, WHO'S PROGRAM MANAGER WITH THE
24 L.A. COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES. [
25 APPLAUSE]



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WILLIAM WONG, WHO IS A CASEWORKER WITH THE L.
3 A. COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY SERVICES. [APPLAUSE]

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5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WENDY TASHIRO, WHO IS A CASEWORKER WITH THE
6 DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES. [APPLAUSE]

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** FIRST, LET ME HAVE OUR DEPARTMENT CHAIRMAN,
9 DR. DAVID SANDERS, GIVE A COUPLE OF WORDS, AND THEN WE'LL ASK
10 CHRISTINE TO SAY A FEW WORDS.

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12 **DAVID SANDERS:** THANK YOU. I'D LIKE TO THANK CHRISTINE DEVINE,
13 FOX NEWS CHANNEL 11 AND FREDDIE MAC FOUNDATION FOR MAKING
14 'WEDNESDAY'S CHILD' A POWERFUL AVENUE FOR FINDING PERMANENT
15 AND LOVING HOMES FOR KIDS IN OUR CARE. IT'S TRULY EVIDENT THAT
16 'WEDNESDAY'S CHILD' IS A LABOR OF LOVE FOR ALL THOSE INVOLVED,
17 AND I'M TRULY GRATEFUL FOR THIS. I ALSO WANT TO THANK SARI
18 GRANT, WILLIAM WONG AND WENDY TASHIRO, AND ALL THREE ARE BEING
19 RECOGNIZED TODAY FOR THEIR DEDICATION AND OUTSTANDING WORK.
20 AND FINALLY, THANKS TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR
21 RECOGNIZING THE OUTSTANDING PUBLIC/PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP THAT
22 'WEDNESDAY'S CHILD' IS. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NOW CHRISTINE DEVINE.

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1 **CHRISTINE DEVINE:** I HAVE MY NOTES 'CAUSE THERE'S NO
2 TELEPROMPTER. I JUST WANT TO LET YOU ALL KNOW THAT
3 'WEDNESDAY'S CHILD' REALLY IS ONE OF OUR FAVORITE SEGMENTS AT
4 FOX NEWS, AND FOR ME PERSONALLY AND PROFESSIONALLY, IT REALLY
5 SPEAKS TO MY HEART. YOU MAY OR MAY NOT KNOW BUT MY FAMILY TOOK
6 IN SIX KIDS, EITHER ADOPTING OR PERMANENT FOSTER CARE, SO THIS
7 IS AN ISSUE THAT I GREW UP WITH, AND I WANTED TO ALSO THANK
8 YOU, SUPERVISOR, FOR HONORING MY TEAM, BECAUSE IT REALLY IS A
9 TEAM EFFORT, FROM FREDDIE MAC FOUNDATION THAT SPENDS MILLIONS
10 OF DOLLARS TO GUARANTEE THAT 'WEDNESDAY'S CHILD' AIRS IN FIVE
11 DIFFERENT CITIES AROUND THE COUNTRY, TO THE D.C.F. WORKERS,
12 WILL AND WENDY AND SARI, AND HER SUPERVISOR BARRY GINSBERG,
13 WHO THEY RESEARCH THE STORIES, THE LOCATIONS, THEY FIND WHICH
14 CHILDREN WE'RE GOING TO PROFILE, AND THEY ARE THE HARDEST TO
15 PLACE CHILDREN, SO I'M VERY PROUD TO SAY THAT WE HAVE A 70%
16 PLACEMENT RATE, AND WE'RE DOING REALLY WELL COMPARED TO SOME
17 OF THE OTHER CITIES AROUND THE COUNTRY, AND WE TRIED TO MAKE
18 IT, IF NOT GET THE CHILDREN ADOPTED THAT DAY, AT LEAST MAKE IT
19 A ONE-OF-A-KIND DAY, FOR EXAMPLE, SPEND A DAY WITH SHAQUILLE
20 O'NEAL. SO WE REALLY TRY TO GIVE THESE CHILDREN SOMETHING TO
21 REMEMBER. AND MY FOX PEOPLE, TOO, VERONICA AND CAROLINE, THEY
22 WORK SO HARD TO PROMOTE 'WEDNESDAY'S CHILD' IN THE COMMUNITY
23 AND MAKE SURE THAT OUR ADVERTISERS KNOW THAT IT'S A SIGNATURE
24 PROGRAM FOR US, SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR TAKING TIME TO



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1 HONOR US, IT GUARANTEES 'WEDNESDAY'S CHILD' WILL STILL REMAIN
2 ON THE AIR. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NOW THOSE THAT ARE AT HOME ARE LISTENING THE
5 TOLL FREE NUMBER ON INFORMATION FOR FOSTER CARE ADOPTIONS IS
6 888-811-1121, AND THAT'S TOLL FREE, SO LET'S DO A GROUP
7 PICTURE.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NOW WE WOULD LIKE TO RECOGNIZE A GROUP OF MEN
10 AND WOMEN IN OUR COUNTY, THE L.A. IMPACT TASK FORCE, WHICH
11 WERE INVOLVED IN BREAKING UP ONE OF THE MAJOR GANGS AND
12 CRIMINAL CRIME SYNDICATES IN OUR COUNTY. STREET GANG AND CRIME
13 ORGANIZATION THAT HAD PLAGUED THE COMMUNITIES OF LA PUENTE,
14 BASSETT AND PARTS OF L.A. COUNTY FOR OVER 30 YEARS, HAS BEEN
15 DISMANTLED BY THESE AGENCIES OF THE LOS ANGELES INNER AGENCY'S
16 METROPOLITAN POLICE APPREHENSION CRIME TASK FORCE L.A. IMPACT
17 TASK FORCE, WHICH IS THE LARGEST AND MOST SUCCESSFUL MULTI-
18 JURISDICTIONAL CRIME TASK FORCE IN OUR COUNTY. ON MARCH 12TH
19 THIS GROUP, TWO LEAD INVESTIGATORS, CHRIS KUBERRY OF THE
20 BALDWIN PARK POLICE DEPARTMENT, AND STEVE DE LUCA OF THE LA
21 VERNE POLICE DEPARTMENT CONCLUDED A YEAR-LONG INVESTIGATION
22 INVOLVING THE TRANSPORTATION AND SALE OF ILLEGAL DRUGS FROM
23 THE LA PUENTE STREET GANG LITTLE HILL. THE INVESTIGATION
24 ORIGINATED WITH THE LA VERNE POLICE DEPARTMENT, AND THROUGH
25 THE COOPERATIVE EFFORTS OF THE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES



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1 COMPRISING L.A. IMPACT, OVER 20 SUSPECTS CONNECTED WITH THE
2 GANG HAD CONDUCTED CRIMINAL ACTIVITY IN BOTH CALIFORNIA AND
3 ARIZONA. SO ON THE MORNING OF MARCH 12TH SEARCH WARRANTS WERE
4 SERVED AT THE 13 RESIDENTS IN THE CITIES OF HESPERIA, RANCHO
5 CUCAMONGA, UPLAND AND DOWNEY, RESULTING IN THE 26 SUSPECTS
6 BEING ARRESTED. AND SO WHAT WE WOULD LIKE TO DO NOW IS TO
7 RECOGNIZE THE INDIVIDUALS AND GIVE THEM THESE PROCLAMATIONS
8 FOR DOING THE LITTLE BIT EXTRA IN BREAKING UP THIS MAJOR CRIME
9 SYNDICATE IN OUR COUNTY. FIRST WE WOULD LIKE TO RECOGNIZE THE
10 LA VERNE POLICE DEPARTMENT CHIEF OF POLICE, RON INGLES. [
11 APPLAUSE]

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU. L.A. COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
14 NARCOTICS BUREAU MAJORS. ACCEPTING WILL BE THE CAPTAIN, STEVE
15 JOHNSON. [APPLAUSE]

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HONORARY PARK POLICE DEPARTMENT S.W.A.T.
18 TEAM. ACCEPTING WILL BE JERRY HUNTER. [APPLAUSE]

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ACCEPTING FOR THE BALDWIN POLICE DEPARTMENT,
21 BALDWIN PARK POLICE DEPARTMENT, IS CHIEF MARK KLING. [
22 APPLAUSE]

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND ONTARIO POLICE DEPARTMENT IS CHIEF LLOYD
25 SCHREFF AND DEPUTY POLICE CHIEF, JIM DOYLE. [APPLAUSE]



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** FROM THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL IS
3 ACCEPTING IS CAPTAIN JIM ABEL. [APPLAUSE]

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5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE L.A. CLEARINGHOUSE IS JOHN KENNY AND
6 JERRY HUNTER OF THE L.A. BUREAU OF NARCOTICS ENFORCEMENT.
7 AGAIN HUH, WHY YOU GOT ALL OF THEM. FROM THE BALDWIN POLICE
8 DEPARTMENT IS OFFICER CHRIS KUBERRY. [APPLAUSE]

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** FROM THE LA VERNE POLICE DEPARTMENT IS
11 DETECTIVE STEVE DE LUCA. [APPLAUSE]

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** FROM THE L.A. COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IS
14 LIEUTENANT MICHAEL GRIMALDI. [APPLAUSE]

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** FROM THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S
17 DEPARTMENT IS LIEUTENANT JIM WHITTEN. [APPLAUSE]

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** FROM THE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT,
20 SERGEANT STAN LEACH. [APPLAUSE]

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** FROM THE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, DEPUTY
23 A.J. HERNANDEZ. [APPLAUSE]

24



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** FROM THE L.A. COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT,
2 DEPUTY CHRIS HOLTMEIER. [APPLAUSE]

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND FROM THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, DEPUTY
5 STEVEN MILLS. [APPLAUSE]

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** DEPUTY GARY MORGAN FROM THE COUNTY SHERIFF'S
8 DEPARTMENT. [APPLAUSE]

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** DEPUTY JAMES ROCHE FROM THE SHERIFF'S
11 DEPARTMENT. [APPLAUSE]

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OFFICER JOE BURRESCH OF THE CALIFORNIA
14 HIGHWAY PATROL. [APPLAUSE]

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OFFICER RENE COTA FROM THE MONTEREY PARK
17 POLICE DEPARTMENT. [APPLAUSE]

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OFFICER RUSSEL HAYNES FROM THE CLAREMONT
20 POLICE DEPARTMENT. [APPLAUSE]

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** FROM AZUSA POLICE DEPARTMENT IS CHRIS --
23 OFFICER CHRIS FRANKS. [APPLAUSE]

24



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT, GLORIA CEJA, OF
2 L.A. IMPACT. [APPLAUSE]

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHO WOULD LIKE TO -- CHIEF? CHIEF INGLES?

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6 **CHIEF INGLES:** THANK YOU. ON BEHALF OF SHERIFF BACA AND THE
7 L.A. COUNTY POLICE CHIEFS, I'D LIKE TO THANK THE BOARD OF
8 SUPERVISORS FOR RECOGNIZING THE HARD WORK OF THE MEN AND WOMEN
9 OF L.A. IMPACT. THE REAL WINNERS IN THIS CASE, HOWEVER, ARE
10 THE CITIZENS OF LA PUENTE. IN OUR DISCUSSIONS WITH INDUSTRY
11 SHERIFF STATION, GANG CRIME IS ALMOST NONEXISTENT IN THAT
12 COMMUNITY, SO I BELIEVE WE'VE HAD A SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON THE
13 QUALITY OF LIFE OF THOSE CITIZENS AND THAT PLEASES US VERY
14 MUCH. SO AGAIN THANK YOU FOR THIS RECOGNITION. WE VERY MUCH
15 APPRECIATE IT. THANK YOU AGAIN. [APPLAUSE]

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NOW WE WOULD LIKE TO RECOGNIZE OUR OWN DR.
18 MARVIN SOUTHARD, WHO IS THE DIRECTOR OF OUR COUNTY'S
19 DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH, FOR BEING SELECTED TO RECEIVE THE
20 NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF MENTAL ILLNESS 2003 AWARD AND -- FOR
21 EXCELLENCE IN COMMUNITY AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES. DR.
22 SOUTHARD WAS SELECTED FOR HIS CREATION OF THE COMPREHENSIVE
23 COMMUNITY CASE REORGANIZATION PLAN FOCUSING ON WELLNESS AND
24 RECOVERY, WHICH HAS ESTABLISHED A NON-STIGMATIZING AND
25 NONDISCRIMINATORY ENVIRONMENT FOR CONSUMERS AND FAMILIES IN



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1 OUR COUNTY. UNDER HIS LEADERSHIP, RESIDENTS OF OUR COUNTY HAVE
2 IMPROVED ACCESS TO OUT-PATIENT PUBLIC SECTOR PSYCHIATRISTS,
3 NOW OVER 200 EMPLOYED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH, AND
4 A FEW -- FULL RANGE OF NEWER MEDICATIONS. PSYCHIATRIC SERVICES
5 FOR THOSE MOST VULNERABLE, INCLUDING INMATES IN THE TWIN
6 TOWERS, HAVE ALSO BEEN GREATLY EXPANDED AND UPGRADED. JOINING
7 WITH DR. SOUTHARD THIS MORNING ARE STELLA MARCH, WHO IS THE
8 PRESIDENT OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF MENTALLY ILL OF LOS
9 ANGELES, CARLA JACOBS, MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF
10 MENTALLY ILL BOARD OF DIRECTORS. AND SO AT THIS TIME, MARVIN,
11 CONGRATULATIONS FOR ANOTHER JOB WELL DONE. [APPLAUSE]

12

13 **MARVIN J. SOUTHARD:** THIS IS A GREAT DAY FOR ME FOR TWO
14 REASONS, ONE OF THOSE REASONS IS THERE'S NO BETTER HONOR THAT
15 A DIRECTOR OF MENTAL HEALTH COULD RECEIVE THAN THE RECOGNITION
16 OF HIS OWN BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND RECOGNITION FROM THE
17 NATIONAL ALLIANCE FOR THE MENTALLY ILL. FOR THOSE OF YOU WHO
18 DON'T KNOW, N.A.M.I. IS THE ORGANIZATION OF PARENTS OR FAMILY
19 MEMBERS OF PERSONS WITH A SERIOUS MENTAL ILLNESS, AND THIS IS
20 THE ORGANIZATION THAT TRANSFORMED THE MENTAL HEALTH SYSTEM IN
21 THIS COUNTRY AND MADE SURE THAT IT FOCUSED ON THE NEEDS OF
22 PERSONS WITH REAL MENTAL ILLNESS. SO RECEIVING -- BEING
23 HONORED BY N.A.M.I. AND BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IS REALLY
24 A WONDERFUL EVENT FOR ME. THE SECOND REASON IT'S A WONDERFUL
25 DAY IS IT GIVES ME A CHANCE TO ACKNOWLEDGE MY PARTNERS, TO



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1 ACKNOWLEDGE THE PEOPLE WHO MADE THE TRANSFORMATION OF THE
2 PUBLIC MENTAL HEALTH SYSTEM IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY POSSIBLE.
3 FIRST, I'D LIKE TO HONOR AND THANK MY STAFF. WE HAVE STAFF
4 FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH HERE, AND WITHOUT THEIR
5 SUPPORT AND HELP, NOTHING COULD CHANGE FOR THE BETTER. THEY'VE
6 REALLY BEEN A GREAT HELP IN THAT EFFORT. AND THEN WITH ME HERE
7 AT THE PODIUM, I HAVE STELLA MARCH FROM N.A.M.I., WHO LENT US
8 THE SUPPORT NEEDED TO BEGIN THE CHANGES THAT WE NEED AND ALSO
9 WE HAVE KITA CURRY, WHO IS THE PRESIDENT OF THE ASSOCIATION OF
10 COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH AGENCIES, WHO IS OUR PUBLIC AND
11 GREATEST PARTNER IN THIS EFFORT. AND ALSO, WE HAVE DR. BARRY
12 PERU FROM THE MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION, AND SO I THINK I
13 WANTED TO SAY THAT THIS IS A GREAT DAY FOR ME BECAUSE WE HAVE
14 SOME EXTRAORDINARY PARTNERS IN DOING THE WORK, AND WORKING
15 TOGETHER, WE WILL CREATE HERE IN LOS ANGELES THE MENTAL HEALTH
16 SYSTEM THAT OUR COMMUNITY DESERVES. SO I WANT TO THANK
17 N.A.M.I. AND I WANT TO THANK THE BOARD FOR THEIR CONTINUED
18 SUPPORT ON THIS AND OTHER MATTERS. SO THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. [
19 APPLAUSE]

20

21 **SPEAKER:** AS A LONG-TERM, LONG-TIME WORKER IN N.A.M.I. I WANT
22 TO SAY THAT I COMPLETELY SUPPORT AND APPRECIATE THE WORK THAT
23 DR. SOUTHARD HAS PERFORMED WITH A COMPREHENSIVE COMMUNITY CARE
24 PROGRAM. IT IS EXCELLENT AND WE ARE WORKING WITH HIM, NOT ONLY
25 HERE, BUT TO MAKE IT A NATIONAL MODEL, WHICH IS BEING



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1 APPRECIATED NOW ACROSS THE COUNTRY, AND I THANK HIM AND YOU
2 FOR THIS HONOR. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NOW WE WOULD LIKE TO RECOGNIZE FRANCO
5 CARLOTTO, WHO IS A FIVE-TIME WORLDS FITNESS CHAMPION WHO
6 FOUNDED 'FITNESS FOR KIDS.' THIS ORGANIZATION'S MISSION IS TO
7 INSPIRE AN ENTIRE GENERATION OF PEOPLE TO ACHIEVE THEIR BETTER
8 -- THEIR HIGHEST FITNESS AND HEALTH POTENTIAL, AND IT TEACHES
9 CHILDREN ABOUT LIVING WITH RESPECT TOWARDS THEMSELVES AND
10 OTHERS BY HAVING A HEALTHY, ACTIVE LIFE-STYLE. THE CONCEPT
11 ORIGINATED EIGHT YEARS AGO IN SWITZERLAND, WHERE FRANCO SPOKE
12 AT A CLASSROOM OF CHILDREN ABOUT THE BENEFITS OF AN ACTIVE
13 HEALTHY LIFE-STYLE AND SAW THE IMPACT THAT THIS TYPE OF
14 PRESENTATION HAD. ALL ACTIVITIES ARE BASED AROUND CHILDREN AND
15 THEIR ENVIRONMENT. PARENTS, TEACHERS, AND FRIENDS, THROUGH
16 PROGRAMS AT SCHOOLS, CELEBRITY WALKS, COLLABORATIONS WITH
17 OTHER HEALTH MOVEMENTS, NATIONAL FITNESS FOR KIDS DAY AND THE
18 LAUNCHING OF A COMPREHENSIVE FITNESS FOR KIDS MEMBERSHIP CLUB.
19 FRANCO PLANS TO BUILD FITNESS FOR KIDS INTO A GLOBAL FORCE TO
20 MAKE AN IMPACT ON ALL CHILDREN, INCLUDING A PROGRAM WITH OUR
21 OWN DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES AND HEALTH
22 DEPARTMENT. SO AT THIS TIME, FRANCO, WE APPRECIATE SHOWING YOU
23 WHAT BROCCOLI CAN DO, AND WISH YOU CONTINUED SUCCESS. [
24 APPLAUSE]

25



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1 **FRANCO CARLOTTO:** THANK YOU SO MUCH.

2

3 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY, YOU WANT TO SAY A COUPLE OF WORDS. BOY
4 THIS BROCCOLI, FRANCO'S 95 YEARS OLD. [LIGHT LAUGHTER]

5

6 **FRANCO CARLOTTO:** ON BEHALF OF 'FITNESS FOR KIDS' I WANT TO
7 EXPRESS MY APPRECIATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, TO
8 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, FOR IT'S -- OR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE
9 WORK WE ARE DOING BRINGING THE MESSAGES OF HEALTHY LIVING TO
10 THE CHILDREN OF LOS ANGELES. 'FITNESS FOR KIDS' IS VERY
11 FORTUNATE TO HAVE STRONG L.A. COUNTY DEPARTMENTS AS KEY
12 PARTNERS, SUCH AS THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES, A SPECIAL
13 THANK YOU GOES TO ALUISA -- DR. ALUISA GONZALEZ, SHE'S HERE
14 TODAY, AND THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION. THE HEALTH
15 CHALLENGES OUR CHILDREN ARE FACING ARE ENORMOUS, AND I LOOK
16 FORWARD TO STRENGTHENING OUR RELATIONSHIPS AS WE MOVE FORWARD,
17 EDUCATING AND INSPIRING CHILDREN TO BE HEALTHY BY EATING
18 HEALTHY, BEING ACTIVE, AND LIVE WITH RESPECT AND INTEGRITY
19 TOWARDS THEMSELVES AND EACH OTHER. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR THIS
20 SPECIAL RECOGNITION TODAY AND I LOOK FORWARD TO MAKE A HUGE
21 IMPACT ON ALL THE CHILDREN HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND
22 HOPEFULLY COPY ALL THE PROGRAMS WE START HERE ALL OVER
23 AMERICA. THANK YOU SO MUCH. [APPLAUSE]

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND FINALLY, WE HAVE LITTLE DUKE BEFORE US
2 THIS MORNING, WHO IS EIGHT WEEKS OLD. HE'S A LITTLE BOY. HE'S
3 LOOKING FOR A HOME, AND HE IS A SPANIEL MIX.

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5 **AUDIENCE:** OOHS AND AHS.

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7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO THIS IS LITTLE DUKE, ANYBODY LIKE TO --
8 LITTLE DUKE MIGHT BE LITTLE -- MIGHT BE CALLED BIG DUKE PRETTY
9 SOON. AND IF YOU'RE LOOKING AT HOME, YOU CAN CALL THE AREA
10 CODE 562-728-4644, OR IN THE AUDIENCE, ANYBODY'D LIKE TO ADOPT
11 DUKE, HE WOULD LIKE TO GO HOME WITH YOU.

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13 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA, DO YOU HAVE
14 PRESENTATIONS? SUPERVISOR MOLINA, DO YOU HAVE ANY
15 PRESENTATIONS? OKAY. I'D LIKE TO CALL THE REPRESENTATIVES OF
16 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, I.S.D. AND THE SHERIFF'S
17 DEPARTMENT FORWARD. THE JOHN F. KENNEDY SCHOOL OF GOVERNMENT
18 AT HARVARD UNIVERSITY HAS THE MISSION TO PREPARE LEADERS FOR
19 SERVICE TO DEMOCRATIC SOCIETIES AND TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE
20 SOLUTIONS OF PUBLIC PROBLEMS. EVERY YEAR FOR THE LAST 16
21 YEARS, THE INSTITUTE FOR GOVERNMENT INNOVATION AT THE SCHOOL
22 HAS PRESENTED THE PRESTIGIOUS INNOVATIONS AND AMERICAN
23 GOVERNMENT AWARD COMPETITION. EACH YEAR, OUT OF THE THOUSANDS
24 OF GOVERNMENT PROGRAMS IN THE UNITED STATES, 100 PROGRAMS ARE
25 CHOSEN AS TOPS IN CREATIVITY, QUALITY, AND ACCOMPLISHMENT.



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1 THIS YEAR, THREE OF THOSE TOP AWARDS WENT TO THREE DEPARTMENTS
2 OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. THESE ARE THE COMMUNITY
3 DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION FOR SPECIAL NEEDS HOUSING PROGRAM,
4 INTERNAL SERVICES FOR ITS YOUTH CAREER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM,
5 AND THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT FOR THE TERRORISM EARLY WARNING
6 GROUP. THIS IS YET ANOTHER EXAMPLE OF HOW THE COUNTY OF LOS
7 ANGELES CONTINUES TO STAND OUT AMONG OUR PEERS FOR INNOVATION
8 IN AND HIGH QUALITY OF SERVICES THAT ARE DELIVERED TO OUR
9 CONSTITUENTS. I'M VERY PROUD TO PRESENT THESE CERTIFICATES
10 FROM THE JOHN F. KENNEDY SCHOOL OF GOVERNMENT, HARVARD
11 UNIVERSITY, TO THE DEPARTMENTS WHOSE PROGRAMS HAVE BEEN
12 HONORED IN THE 16TH ANNUAL INNOVATION IN AMERICAN GOVERNMENT
13 AWARDS COMPETITION. AND FIRST IS C.D.C. SPECIAL NEEDS HOUSING
14 PROGRAM IN LOS ANGELES. OVER HERE. OKAY. [APPLAUSE]

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16 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, TERRORISM
17 EARLY WARNING GROUP. CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE]

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19 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** I.S.D. DIRECTOR FOR THE -- AND WE'LL HAVE
20 THE INTERIM DIRECTOR, MARTHA CERVANTES, ALICE ESTRADA AND
21 RICHARD BURNS, AND JUNE FARISSA. JUNE? OH OKAY, WAIT A MINUTE.
22 OKAY, JANE CLARKSON, FOR THE YOUTH CAREER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM.
23 JANE CLARKSON. [APPLAUSE]

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1 **SPEAKER:** I'D LIKE TO THANK THE BOARD FOR RECOGNIZING OUR
2 PROGRAM. I'D LIKE TO THANK RICHARD BURNS, MARTHA CERVANTES AND
3 ALICE ESTRADA FOR ALL THE HARD WORK AND DEDICATION THEY'VE
4 GIVEN TO THE PROGRAM. I'D LIKE TO THANK OUR PARTNER
5 DEPARTMENTS, WHICH ARE CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES AND
6 COMMUNITY AND SENIOR SERVICES FOR HELPING US OUT. I'D LIKE TO
7 THANK ALL THE MENTORS AT I.S.D. WHO'VE WORKED WITH THE FOSTER
8 YOUTH THAT WE'VE PARTICIPATED WITH OVER THE LAST THREE YEARS.
9 AND MOST IMPORTANTLY, I'D LIKE TO THANK THE YOUTH, THE 50 OR
10 SO, WHO'VE ENRICHED OUR ORGANIZATION AND HAVE ENRICHED US AS
11 INDIVIDUALS AS WELL. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

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13 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** AND FROM THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT?

14

15 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. ON BEHALF OF SHERIFF BACA AND ALL THE
16 MEMBERS OF THE LOS ANGELES TERRORISM EARLY WARNING GROUP, I'D
17 LIKE TO THANK THE BOARD FOR THEIR SUPPORT IN THE PAST AND ASK
18 FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT. IT'S BEEN A VERY SUCCESSFUL
19 PROGRAM. IT'S BEEN REPLICATED IN CITIES ALL ACROSS THE NATION,
20 AND WE THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR SUPPORT. [APPLAUSE]

21

22 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** CARLOS JACKSON.

23

24 **CARLOS JACKSON:** THANK YOU SUPERVISOR. OUR AWARD WAS FOR
25 HOUSING FOR SPECIAL NEED POPULATIONS, AND FACING TODAY'S



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1 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIAN AND HOUSING MARKET, THERE IS A CRISIS,
2 BUT MORE SO FOR THOSE WHO HAVE SPECIAL NEEDS AND A SPECIAL
3 TYPE OF HOUSING HAS TO BE DEVELOPED. SO I'D LIKE TO THANK MY
4 STAFF AND THE SUPPORT OF THE BOARD FOR DOING THIS TYPE OF
5 HOUSING IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

6

7 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** CONGRATULATIONS. ALL RIGHT NOW I'D LIKE TO
8 ASK MISS FANNY SAENZ TO COME FORWARD. IN SEPTEMBER 1997,
9 WILLOWBROOK SENIOR SENIOR CENTER STARTED THE COMPUTER CLASS
10 FOR SENIORS AGED 55 YEARS OLD AND OLDER. SOME 600 SENIORS HAVE
11 SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED THE CLASS, WHICH INCLUDES COMPUTER
12 TERMINOLOGY, KEYBOARDING, AND FUNDAMENTALS OF WORD PROCESSING.
13 IT HAS BEEN SO SUCCESSFUL THAT IT HAS AN ONGOING WAITING LIST.
14 MOST OF THE STUDENTS ARE WOMEN, ALTHOUGH THE MOST RECENT CLASS
15 HAD ITS HIGHEST MALE PARTICIPANTS EVER. 13 MEN OUT OF A TOTAL
16 OF 45 STUDENTS. LAST FEBRUARY, MISS FANNY SAENZ JOINED THE
17 CLASS AT THE AGE OF 90. SHE BECAME THE OLDEST PARTICIPANT IN
18 THE PROGRAM. IN MAY, SHE CELEBRATED HER 91ST BIRTHDAY, AND
19 WHEN SHE GRADUATED FROM THE COMPUTER CLASS, SHE BECAME ITS
20 OLDEST GRADUATE. IN A SEMESTER OF STUDY SHE WAS ONLY ABSENT
21 THREE TIMES DUE TO ARTHRITIS. [LAUGHTER]

22

23 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MISS SAENZ'S DAUGHTER SAYS THAT SHE
24 ORIGINALLY DID NOT WANT TO ATTEND CLASS 'CAUSE SHE SAID THERE
25 WERE TOO MANY OLD PEOPLE OVER THERE, BUT HER DAUGHTER



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1 CONVINCED HER THAT SHE WOULD PROBABLY BE THE OLDEST THERE,
2 WHICH WAS THE CASE, AND THE FACT THAT MISS SAENZ ENTERED AND
3 SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED THE COMPUTER CLASS AT WILLOWBROOK
4 SENIOR CENTER IS A SPLENDID EXAMPLE OF HOW SENIOR CITIZENS OF
5 TODAY LIKE TO KEEP UP WITH THE TIMES, AND I'M VERY PLEASED TO
6 PRESENT THIS SCROLL TO FANNIE SAENZ. [APPLAUSE] [APPLAUSE]

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8 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WE WANT YOU TO SAY A WORD AND THEN WE'LL
9 INTRODUCE SOME OF THE OTHER PEOPLE WHO ARE HERE.

10

11 **FANNY SAENZ:** I'D LIKE TO THANK THE SUPERVISORS FOR GIVING ME
12 THE PRIVILEGE OF HAVING THE SENIOR CITIZEN EDUCATIONAL THINGS,
13 I HAVE TAKEN EVERYTHING THAT WAS OFFERED FOR SENIOR CITIZENS
14 AT THE JARVIS SENIOR CITIZEN OFFICE. THANKS TO MR. YORK, THE
15 TEACHER, MRS. BUCHANAN, AND THE PRINCIPAL OF THE CLASS. I GIVE
16 ALL MY THANKS TO BEING ABLE TO HELP EVERYBODY TO GO TO SCHOOL.
17 YOU NEVER GET TOO OLD TO LEARN. I HAVE BEEN A FOSTER MOTHER
18 FOR 50 YEARS, AND I WANT TO THANK THE PEOPLE THAT WERE IN THAT
19 ORGANIZATION THAT HELPED THE CHILDREN. AND I KNOW YOU, MS.
20 BURKE, AND MY HUSBAND WAS A DEPUTY SHERIFF OF LOS ANGELES
21 COUNTY BACK IN THE '30S WITH BISCANU. SO I HAVE BEEN IN THE
22 COUNTY FOR A LONG TIME. THANK YOU.

23

24 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

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1 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** JUST A SECOND. WE'RE GOING TO ASK SANDRA
2 BISHOP, DIRECTOR OF COMPTON ADULT SCHOOL TO COME FORWARD TO BE
3 RECOGNIZED, AND WE ALSO WANT PAULINE BUCHANAN, UNDERSTANDING
4 AND USING TECHNOLOGY INSTRUCTOR FROM COMPTON TO BE RECOGNIZED,
5 AND ALSO, WE ASKED ROWLAND YORK, WHO'S THE DIRECTOR, TO COME
6 AND SAY A WORD.

7

8 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR. I'D LIKE TO TAKE
9 THIS OPPORTUNITY OF THANKING THE BOARD, IN PARTICULAR,
10 SUPERVISOR BURKE AND HER STAFF, THEY'VE BEEN VERY RESPONSIVE.
11 AT THE WILLOWBROOK CENTER, WE HAVE A POLICY OF NOT SAYING "NO"
12 TO NEW IDEAS, AND AS A CONSEQUENCE, OUR PROGRAMS HAVE
13 CONTINUOUSLY EXPANDED. THE CONCEPT OF IMPROVING THE QUALITY OF
14 LIFE OF OLDER PERSONS IS IN FACT VERY MUCH ALIVE AT THE
15 WILLOWBROOK SENIOR CENTER. I WANT TO THANK THE HEAD OF THE
16 DEPARTMENT, ROBERT RYAN OF COMMUNITY AND SENIOR CITIZENS AND
17 MOST IMPORTANTLY TO US IS IN FACT COMPTON ADULT SCHOOL BECAUSE
18 THEY ADMINISTER SOME 12 PROGRAMS AT THE CENTER. I THANK ALL
19 THOSE SENIORS, PARTICULARLY THOSE THAT ARE STANDING -- THOSE
20 ARE MEMBERS OF THE GRADUATING CLASS. [APPLAUSE]

21

22 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** LET'S GIVE A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE FOR THE
23 GRADUATING CLASS. [APPLAUSE]

24



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1 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** AND THEY'LL ALL BE GETTING CERTIFICATES
2 LATER, BUT MR. RYAN?

3

4 **ROBERT RYAN:** THANK YOU. MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD,
5 IT'S MY GREAT PLEASURE TO BE A PART OF THIS PROGRAM AND TO
6 JUST THANK FANNY FOR HER GREAT WORK. IT WAS SO EXCITING TO SEE
7 THE GRADUATION CLASS AND SEE ALL OF THEM HERE TODAY AND SEE
8 ALL OF THE JOYOUS THINGS THAT WE HAVE DONE. AND BY THE WAY,
9 SHE'S A GREAT DANCER, TOO AND I HOPE TO BE ABLE TO DANCE WITH
10 HER AGAIN SOMETIME REAL SOON. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE
11].

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13 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WELL, CONGRATULATIONS AND TO COMPTON.

14

15 **SPEAKER:** ON -- THE COMPTON ADULT SCHOOL IS JUST SO PLEASED TO
16 HAVE BEEN AT THE WILLOWBROOK CENTER FOR THE PAST 20 YEARS
17 OFFERING PROGRAMS FOR SENIORS, AND IT'S SUCH A PLEASURE TO SEE
18 ALL OF THE LADIES AND GENTLEMEN WHO DO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF ALL
19 OF THE PROGRAMS, KEEP THEMSELVES YOUNG AND VIBRANT AND
20 WONDERFUL, JUST LIKE MRS. SAENZ, AND IT'S OUR PLEASURE TO BE A
21 PART OF THE WILLOWBROOK CENTER. THANK YOU.

22

23 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WELL, THANK YOU, AND THIS IS REALLY A GREAT
24 PROGRAM. I'VE BEEN TO GRADUATIONS THERE, AND WE WANT TO THANK
25 COMPTON, WE WANT TO THANK ALL THE PEOPLE WHO MAKE IT A



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1 SUCCESS, AND ROLAND FOR PUSHING AND GETTING SO MANY SENIORS.
2 THEY'RE TEACHING THEIR GRANDCHILDREN HOW TO USE THE COMPUTERS.
3 THAT'S GREAT. WE'LL GET A PICTURE WITH THE GROUP.
4 CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE]

5

6 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE HAVE THE GARDENA PEOPLE.
7 THEY'RE RIGHT HERE. WE'D LIKE TO BRING UP THE DELEGATION FROM
8 WATABOMPOLE, A CITY IN SONORA, MEXICO, AND A SISTER CITY OF
9 GARDENA. AND IT'S CURRENTLY, WE HAVE THEM IN THE AUDIENCE, AND
10 HERE THEY ARE UP HERE. YOU MAY WISH TO TALK -- I WANTED TO
11 MAKE EVERYONE AWARE OF THIS. WE HAVE 30 PEOPLE FROM THE CITY
12 OF WATABOMPOLE IN THE STATE OF SONORA AND THEY'RE VISITING
13 THEIR SISTER CITY, GARDENA, THE DELEGATION IS LEAD BY THE
14 MAYOR DR. FRANCISCO MENDEZ, CHAIR OF WATABOMPOLE SISTER CITY
15 PROGRAM, AND HIS WIFE, CARMELITA. THE DELEGATION IS BEING
16 ACCOMPANIED BY THE GARDENA SISTER CITY PROGRAM COMMITTEE. AND
17 I'M PLEASED TO WELCOME THEM TO LOS ANGELES, AND I WANT TO ASK
18 THE MAYOR TO STEP FORWARD FOR A PRESENTATION, AND WE HAVE TO
19 NOTE THAT IN 1956 PRESIDENT DWIGHT EISENHOWER ESTABLISHED THE
20 SISTER CITY PROGRAM IN AN ATTEMPT TO REACH OUT, AND GARDENA
21 HAS HAD A SISTER CITY PROGRAM FOR 40 YEARS, AND HAS TWO SISTER
22 CITIES, AND THEY ARE VERY PLEASED THAT THEY HAVE A CHANCE TO
23 VISIT THIS CITY, AND THIS YEAR GARDENA IS CELEBRATING THE 30TH
24 ANNIVERSARY OF ITS PROGRAM AND PARTICULARLY WITH THIS CITY,



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1 AND CONGRATULATIONS TO THE MAYOR. THANK YOU FOR BEING HERE. [
2 APPLAUSE]

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4 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** OH PAUL'S OVER HERE, OKAY. OH, AND THE
5 MAYOR'S NAME IS DANIEL IBARRA. OKAY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
6 WOULD YOU LIKE TO SAY A WORD, AND PAUL STAY UP HERE.

7

8 **MAYOR DANIEL IBARRA:** MY NAME IS DANIEL IBARRA, I'M THE MAYOR
9 OF MY CITY, WATABOMPOLE IN SONORA MEXICO, AND IN THE NAME OF
10 OUR MY PEOPLE I WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
11 THE CITY AND THE PEOPLE OF GARDENA FOR THIS RECOGNITION OF THE
12 30 YEARS OF BROTHERHOOD BETWEEN THE TWO CITIES OF GARDENA AND
13 WATABOMPOLE, AND FOR KEEPING THIS RELATIONSHIP STRONG AND FOR
14 ALL THE HELP AND THE FRIENDSHIP THAT WE HAVE RECEIVED FOR THIS
15 30 YEARS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH TO YOU ALL. [APPLAUSE]

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17 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. HE DOESN'T WANT TO SAY ANYTHING.
18 HE'S ALWAYS SAYING ENOUGH HERE. ALL RIGHT -- I THINK THAT
19 CONCLUDES ALL OF OUR PRESENTATIONS, AT THIS TIME, SUPERVISOR
20 KNABE? YEAH, DO YOU WANT TO DO YOUR ADJOURNMENTS AND THEN --
21 OH, I'M SORRY. SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, WHEN HE GETS OFF THE
22 PHONE, WE'LL -- WHY DON'T YOU GO ON AND DO YOUR ADJOURNMENTS.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE:** OKAY. MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, I
25 WOULD MOVE THAT TODAY THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF LAURA



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1 JOHNSON DONNELLY. LAURA PASSED PEACEFULLY WITH FAMILY AROUND
2 HER ON THURSDAY, JULY 10TH, IN WALNUT CREEK. SHE WAS A VERY
3 INSPIRATIONAL LADY AND WILL BE GREATLY MISSED BY ALL WHO KNEW
4 HER, HER STRENGTH OF CHARACTER, WIT, AND ALWAYS UPBEAT
5 ATTITUDE. SHE IS THE MOTHER OF MAUREEN MEGAWAN, WHO IS A LONG-
6 TIME RESIDENT AND ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE PALOS VERDES ESTATES
7 COMMUNITY. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF NEIL MCLAUGHLIN.
8 NEIL WAS A COUNTY EMPLOYEE FROM 1955 TO 1975 WHERE HE SERVED
9 WITH DISTINCTION AS A STAFF MEMBER IN THE C.A.O.'S OFFICE AS
10 THE ADMINISTRATOR OF EL CERRITO HOSPITAL OR COUNTY HOSPITAL IN
11 LONG BEACH. NEIL WAS A GENTLEMAN OF INTEGRITY, AN
12 ADMINISTRATOR WHO SINCERELY CARED ABOUT THE PATIENTS IN HIS
13 HOSPITAL. HE PASSED AWAY ON JUNE 29TH OF PARKINSON'S. HE IS
14 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, HELEN, AND HIS DAUGHTER, ANN, WHO STOOD
15 BY HIM FAITHFULLY DURING HIS LONG ILLNESS.

16
17 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU.

18
19 **SUP. KNABE:** I HAD ONE ITEM, MADAM CHAIR, THAT I HELD.

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21 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** YOU HELD 26.

22
23 **SUP. KNABE:** IT REALLY WAS JUST A QUESTION. FIRST OF ALL, ITEM
24 26, I WANTED TO PUBLICLY THANK QUEENS CARE FOR THEIR
25 COMMITMENT AND THE DOLLARS ALLOCATED TO SERVICE LOW INCOME



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1 PATIENTS AT RANCHO, AND THEY REALLY STEPPED FORWARD WITH THEIR
2 MAXIMUM AWARD UP 2.4 MILLION. THE QUESTION I HAVE OF C.A.O. IS
3 JUST TO MAKE SURE THAT THE CONTROL OF THIS MONEY DOES GO TO
4 RANCHO FOR THESE PARTICULAR PATIENTS, IS THAT CORRECT?

5

6 **SHARON HARPER:** YES, SUPERVISOR.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE:** OKAY. WITH THAT, I'D MOVE THE ITEM MADAM CHAIR.

9

10 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** IT'S MOVED BY KNABE, SECONDED BY
11 ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE:** AND I DON'T HAVE ANYTHING ELSE.

14

15 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

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17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MADAM CHAIR, I HAVE ONE ADJOURNING MOTION.
18 AND THAT IS, YOU MAY WANT TO JOIN ME ON THIS, BENNY CARTER,
19 WHO'S A CONSTITUENT OF OURS AND A GREAT MUSICIAN, WORLD
20 RENOWNED SAXOPHONIST, BAND LEADER, AND ARRANGER WHO PASSED
21 AWAY SEVERAL DAYS AGO AT THE AGE OF 95. BENNY CARTER WAS A
22 LEADING FIGURE IN THE JAZZ WORLD IN THE 1940S AND 1950S, HE
23 PLAYED A KEY ROLE IN THE CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT, IN THE EARLY
24 DAYS OF THE CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT THROUGH HIS EFFORTS TO
25 INTEGRATE THE LOS ANGELES HOUSING MARKET AND CONSOLIDATE THE



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1 SEPARATE BLACK AND WHITE MUSICIANS UNION LOCALS IN LOS
2 ANGELES. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE OF 24 YEARS, AND A
3 DAUGHTER, JOYCE MILLS, ONE GRANDCHILD AND ONE GREAT
4 GRANDCHILD.

5

6 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED AND ALL MEMBERS ON BENNY CARTER.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THAT'S ALL I HAVE --

9

10 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** YOU WERE HOLDING AN ITEM, WHICH WAS ITEM 1.

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12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YES I WAS. MADAM CHAIR, I WANT TO SUBSTITUTE
13 A NEW DRAFT OF A MOTION FOR ITEM NUMBER 1, WHICH IS MY MOTION.
14 IT JUST UPDATES IT. WE HAD SOME MEETINGS DURING THE WEEK, AND
15 I THINK IT'S MORE SURGICALLY ADDRESSES -- FOCUSES OUR
16 ATTENTION FIRST ON THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES CABLE WITH --
17 ASKING THE STAFF TO COME BACK WITH SOME RECOMMENDATIONS ON HOW
18 WE APPROACH THE OTHER 87 CITIES AND PRIORITIZE THEM, WHICH I
19 THINK THIS IS A BETTER MOTION THAN THE ONE I ORIGINALLY
20 AGENDIZED. SO I WOULD ASK THAT WE SUBSTITUTE THIS ONE, THE
21 GUTS OF IT IS THE SAME, AND ASK THAT WE APPROVE IT.

22

23 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED BY MOLINA.
24 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

25



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I HAD A MOTION I WAS GOING TO READ IN BUT I
2 WON'T READ IT IN; I'LL JUST POST IT ON NEXT WEEK'S AGENDA.

3

4 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND I THINK THAT'S IT FOR ME.

7

8 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OH, MADAM CHAIR? I'M SORRY, ONE -- I DID
11 HAVE S-1, WHICH IS THE --

12

13 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** YES. DO YOU WANT TO CALL THAT NOW?

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I WOULD, AND -- BECAUSE I'M GOING TO HAVE A
16 MOTION ON THAT, AND ASK THAT-- ARE THE PRESENTERS ON S-1 HERE?

17

18 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** IS CHILDREN'S PLANNING COUNCIL HERE?

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** CHILDREN'S PLANNING COUNCIL. AND -- THERE
21 THEY ARE.

22

23 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ABOUT HOW LONG DO YOU ANTICIPATE THIS WILL
24 BE?

25



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1 **SPEAKER:** [INAUDIBLE].

2

3 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** I THINK WE'RE OKAY. HOW LONG?

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IF WE COULD KEEP IT TO 10 MINUTES --

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7 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** IF YOU KEEP IT FOR 10 MINUTES, BECAUSE
8 WE'RE MINDFUL THAT SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY HAS TO LEAVE AT
9 12:30 AND WE HAVE A CLOSED SESSION, WHICH WE'RE PROBABLY GOING
10 TO HAVE TO RECESS TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION IN ORDER TO FINISH
11 AND THEN WE'LL COME BACK TO CONCLUDE. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH,
12 WHILE THEY'RE GETTING READY, WOULD YOU LIKE TO DO YOUR
13 ADJOURNMENTS?

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN TODAY OF -- IN THE
16 PASSING OF DOROTHY ARTUKOVICH, WHO WAS A MOTHER, GRANDMOTHER
17 AND GREAT GRANDMOTHER, AND SISTER AND AUNT, WHO PASSED AWAY ON
18 JULY 9TH AT THE AGE OF 80. AND SHE LEAVES HER HUSBAND, JERRY,
19 AND FOUR CHILDREN AND TWO SISTERS. WILLIAM RUSSELL KENNISON,
20 WHO PASSED AWAY ON JULY 6TH FROM THE ANTELOPE VALLEY. HE WAS
21 VISITATION CHAIRMAN FOR THE MENDEED HEARTS ORGANIZATION. HE
22 LEAVES HIS WIFE, HAZEL AND TWO STEPDAUGHTERS AND A GRANDSON.
23 AND BOB WILLS, JR., FORMERLY OF THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY. HE
24 WAS A LOCAL BUSINESSMAN, ENTERTAINER, AND HE PASSED AWAY ON
25 JULY 4TH, AND HE'LL BE LAID TO REST AT THE NATIONAL CEMETERY



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1 IN VIRGINIA WITH FULL MILITARY HONORS. HE WAS RETIRED ALSO A
2 U.S. AIR FORCE LIEUTENANT COLONEL, AND HE LEAVES HIS WIFE,
3 SUE, AND TWO CHILDREN.

4

5 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED. WHILE THEY'RE GETTING READY,
6 SUPERVISOR MOLINA, WOULD YOU LIKE TO DO YOUR ADJOURNMENTS?

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA:** YES PLEASE. I'D LIKE TO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN TODAY
9 IN THE MEMORY OF MISS PURINA ANDREATTA, WHO JUST PASSED AWAY
10 AT THE AGE OF 95. MISS ANDREATTA WAS A DEAR FAMILY FRIEND OF
11 MY LONG-TIME STAFF MEMBER VIRGINIA MORENO. MISS ANDREATTA IS A
12 LONG-TIME RESIDENT OF THE LA PUENTE AREA AND WE WANT TO EXTEND
13 OUR DEEPEST CONDOLENCES TO ALL OF HER FAMILY AND FRIENDS. IN
14 ADDITION, I'D LIKE TO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF THE
15 MEMBERS OF THE MARTINEZ AND THE ESTRADAS FAMILIES. THIS IS THE
16 MOTHER AND THE CHILDREN WHO TRAGICALLY PASSED AWAY IN THAT
17 TERRIBLE AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT IN EAST L.A. ON SUNDAY AFTERNOON.
18 WE WANT TO EXTEND OUR MOST HEARTFELT CONDOLENCES TO EACH OF
19 THESE FAMILIES AS WE TRY AND DEAL WITH THIS TRAGEDY.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SECOND.

22

23 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED. THEY'RE READY? ALL RIGHT.

24



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1 **YOLIE FLORES AGUILAR:** GOOD MORNING. GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS.
2 FOR THE RECORD, MY NAME IS YOLIE FLORES AGUILAR, EXECUTIVE
3 DIRECTOR OF THE CHILDREN'S PLANNING COUNCIL. ON BEHALF OF THE
4 COUNCIL, FIRST FIVE L.A., AND THE SCHOOL READINESS INDICTOR
5 WORK GROUP, I AM PLEASED TO PRESENT THE RECOMMENDATIONS YOU
6 REQUESTED FOR A COURSE SET OF SCHOOL READINESS INDICATORS.
7 JOINING ME IN THIS PRESENTATION ARE COMMISSIONER BETH LOWE
8 FROM FIRST FIVE L.A., SHE'S TO MY RIGHT, SORRY MY LEFT. OUR
9 PARTNERS ON THIS EFFORT, TWO MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL WHO CO-
10 CHAIRED THE SCHOOL READINESS INDICATOR WORK GROUP, NANCY AU,
11 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF W.R.A.P. FAMILY SERVICES AND MEMBER OF
12 THE CHILDREN'S PLANNING COUNCIL, AND JACQUELYN MCCROSKEY, ALSO
13 A MEMBER OF THE PLANNING COUNCIL AND ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF
14 U.S.C. SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK, AND C.P.C.'S REPRESENTATIVE ON
15 THE FIRST FIVE L.A. COMMISSION, AND ARMANDO JIMENEZ, DIRECTOR
16 OF RESEARCH AND EVALUATION, ALSO FROM FIRST FIVE L.A. I'D LIKE
17 TO ASK BETH TO START OUR PRESENTATION BY SHARING FIRST FIVE'S
18 PERSPECTIVE ON THIS WORK AND HOW THEY INTEND TO USE AND
19 PROMOTE THE INDICATORS.

20

21 **BETH LOWE:** THANK YOU, YOLIE. GREETINGS AND GREETINGS TO OUR
22 CHAIR OF THE FIRST FIVE COMMISSION, SUPERVISOR BURKE, AND ALL
23 OF THE REST OF YOU WHO ARE OUR FORMER CHAIRS, WE'RE HAPPY TO
24 BE HERE TODAY, AND PARTICULARLY WELCOME THE OPPORTUNITY TO
25 WORK WITH THE CHILDREN'S PLANNING COUNCIL AND THE WORK GROUP



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1 TO HAVE DEVELOPED THESE RECOMMENDATIONS. IT'S ANOTHER
2 OUTSTANDING EXAMPLE OF THE EFFECTIVE AND PRODUCTIVE
3 PARTNERSHIP THAT WE HAVE WITH THE COUNTY AND THE CHILDREN'S
4 PLANNING COUNCIL TO IMPROVE OUTCOMES FOR CHILDREN, PRENATAL TO
5 FIVE. I WANT TO LET YOU KNOW THAT IN JUNE, THE FIRST FIVE L.A.
6 COMMISSION DID RATIFY THESE SCHOOL READINESS FRAMEWORK AND
7 THAT YOU ARE BEING ASKED TO ADOPT TODAY -- TO TODAY. WE AGREED
8 TO INCORPORATE THE FRAMEWORK INTO OUR STRATEGIC PLAN. THE
9 FRAMEWORK WILL GUIDE OUR SCHOOL READINESS RESEARCH, OUR WORK
10 WITH GRANTEES, AND OUR MEDIA ACTIVITIES TO GARNER SUPPORT FOR
11 SCHOOL READINESS. RECOMMENDATION III SPECIFICALLY REQUESTS
12 FIRST FIVE L.A. TO TAKE THE LEAD ON THE HIGH PRIORITY RESEARCH
13 AGENDA. WE'RE READY TO BEGIN THIS ESSENTIAL WORK, INDEED,
14 ARMANDO HEADS UP OUR STAFF, OUR RESEARCH AND EVALUATION TEAM,
15 AND HE'S RARING TO GO ON THIS. AND WE'RE LOOKING FORWARD TO
16 ENGAGING AGAIN ALSO WITH THE C.P.C AND THE COUNTY DEPARTMENTS
17 AND THE SCHOOL READINESS INDICATOR WORK GROUP ON THIS EFFORT.
18 WE'RE ALSO COMMITTED TO SUPPORTING THE CONSENSUS BUILDING PLAN
19 BY HELPING TO PUBLICIZE THIS TO ALL OVER THE COUNTY, BECAUSE
20 AS WE ALL KNOW, THE MORE PEOPLE WHO KNOW ABOUT IT, THE MORE
21 CHANCE WE WILL OF BEING EFFECTIVE. SO I THANK YOU FOR -- AND
22 WE HOPE YOU APPROVE TODAY THE RECOMMENDATION.

23

24 **YOLIE FLORES AGUILAR:** I WILL BEGIN BY PROVIDING YOU WITH A
25 CONTEXT FOR OUR RECOMMENDATIONS, AND JACQUELYN AND ARMANDO



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1 WILL PRESENT THE ACTUAL FRAMEWORK THAT IS BEFORE YOU FOR
2 ADOPTION THAT WE DEVELOPED TO TRACK AND MEASURE SCHOOL
3 READINESS. NANCY WILL TALK ABOUT THE CONSENSUS BUILDING PLAN
4 AND THEN AT THE END, BETH WILL SPEAK ABOUT FIRST FIVE L.A.'S
5 COMMITMENT TO WORKING WITH THE COUNTY AND C.P.C. TO USE AND
6 PROMOTE THE INDICATORS. IN TERMS OF THE CONTEXT ON NOVEMBER
7 12TH, 2002, YOUR BOARD REQUESTED THAT THE CHILDREN'S PLANNING
8 COUNCIL AND FIRST FIVE L.A. CONVENE A SCHOOL READINESS
9 INDICATOR WORK GROUP TO DEFINE A COURSE SET OF SCHOOL
10 READINESS INDICATORS FOR CHILDREN AND DEVELOP A PLAN FOR
11 BUILDING COUNTY-WIDE CONSENSUS AROUND THESE INDICATORS. YOU
12 SPECIFICALLY ASKED THAT THE INDICATORS RECOGNIZE THAT SCHOOL
13 READINESS IS A MULTIFACETED CONCEPT THAT INCLUDES SCHOOLS,
14 FAMILIES, AND COMMUNITIES, EACH OF WHICH MUST DO THEIR PARTS
15 TO ENSURE THAT ALL CHILDREN ENTER SCHOOL READY TO LEARN. YOU
16 ASK THAT WE INCORPORATE THE COUNTY'S FIVE OUTCOMES OF CHILD
17 WELL BEING AND THAT THESE INDICATORS REFLECT THE DIVERSE
18 POPULATIONS OF OUR COUNTY. THE SCHOOL READINESS INDICATOR WORK
19 GROUP BEGAN ITS WORK ON JANUARY 28. IT CONVENED A WORK GROUP
20 AND A TECHNICAL ADVISORY GROUP TO PROVIDE THE INPUT AND THE
21 ASSISTANCE. ATTACHMENT B OF THE BOARD LETTER LISTED MEMBERS OF
22 BOTH OF THESE GROUPS. YOU'LL SEE THAT THE BROAD REPRESENTATION
23 OF KEY STAKEHOLDERS INCLUDE FOLKS FROM THE FIELD OF EDUCATION,
24 RESEARCH, CHILD CARE, CHILDREN AND FAMILY ADVOCACY AND
25 COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES. ALSO, AS YOU REQUESTED, THE CORE



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1 MEMBERSHIP OF THE WORK GROUP, INCLUDED REPRESENTATIVES FROM
2 THE SERVICE PLANNING AREA COUNCILS AND THE AMERICAN INDIAN
3 CHILDREN'S COUNCIL, THE L.A. COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION, THE
4 L.A. UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY POLICY
5 ROUND TABLE FOR CHILD CARE, AND THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES
6 COMMISSION FOR CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND THEIR FAMILIES. JACQUELYN
7 WILL SPEAK ABOUT THE FIRST TWO RECOMMENDATIONS. THE FIRST
8 RELATES SPECIFICALLY TO THE SCHOOL INDICATOR FRAMEWORK THAT WE
9 ARE RECOMMENDING FOR MEASURING AND TRACKING THE SCHOOL
10 READINESS INDICATORS, AND THE SECOND RECOMMENDATION PROVIDES A
11 CONCRETE WAY THAT THE BOARD CAN REINFORCE AND STRENGTHEN THE
12 CRITICAL ROLE THE COUNTY DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES PLAY IN
13 SCHOOL READINESS. JACQUELYN?

14

15 **JACQUELYN MCCROSKEY:** THANK YOU, AND GOOD MORNING AGAIN. THE
16 FIRST RECOMMENDATION AS YOLIE SAID IS TO ASK YOU TO ADOPT THE
17 FRAMEWORK FOR TRACKING AND MEASUREMENT OF THE COURSE SET OF
18 SCHOOL READINESS INDICATORS, AND UP ON -- YOU HAVE AN APPENDIX
19 A, THE FULL SET OF THE FRAMEWORK UP ON THE PROJECTIONS, FOR
20 THE AUDIENCE WE HAVE AN EXAMPLE JUST SO THAT PEOPLE CAN FOLLOW
21 AS WE'RE DISCUSSING. BUT THE GROUP STARTED OFF TALKING ABOUT
22 THE FACT THAT THE COUNTY OBVIOUSLY ALREADY HAS FIVE OUTCOME
23 AREAS THAT HAVE BECOME VERY WELL, INCORPORATED INTO THE WAY
24 THAT WE THINK ABOUT USING DATA FOR KIDS AND FAMILIES, AND IN
25 ADDITION, THE NATIONAL EDUCATION GOALS PANEL HAS PUT FORTH A



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1 DEFINITION OF SCHOOL READINESS, WHICH INCLUDES FOUR LEVELS OF
2 READINESS. THERE'S THE CHILDREN READY FOR SCHOOL, AND I THINK
3 THAT'S THE ONE THAT MOST PEOPLE THINK ABOUT IMMEDIATELY, IS
4 WHAT DO CHILDREN KNOW, DO THEY HAVE THE KNOWLEDGE, DO THEY
5 HAVE THE SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL CAPACITY. BUT THE THREE OTHER
6 LEVELS ARE PERHAPS EVEN MORE IMPORTANT, BECAUSE THEY'RE ABOUT
7 HOW WELL ARE THE ADULTS AROUND THE CHILDREN WORKING TO MAKE
8 SURE THAT CHILDREN MAKE IT IN SCHOOL. SO THE SECOND LEVEL IS,
9 ARE SCHOOLS READY FOR THE KIDS WHO ARE ACTUALLY COMING TO
10 THEM. THE THIRD ONE IS, ARE FAMILIES READY TO SUPPORT THEIR
11 CHILDREN IN THE MOST EFFECTIVE WAY, AND THE LAST ONE IS, ARE
12 COMMUNITIES READY TO SUPPORT FAMILIES SO THAT ALL CHILDREN CAN
13 GET TO SCHOOL HEALTHY AND READY TO SUCCEED. SO WHEN YOU TAKE A
14 VERY BROAD DEFINITION LIKE THAT, WHICH LOOKS AT WHAT IS IT
15 THAT WE AS A COMMUNITY IN LOS ANGELES CAN DO TOGETHER TO MAKE
16 SURE THAT OUR KIDS ARE READY TO BE SUCCESSFUL IN SCHOOL, YOU
17 NEED TO LOOK NOT JUST AT SPECIFIC BITS OF DATA, AND THAT'S
18 WHERE YOU SEE THE FRAMEWORK HAS THREE ELEMENTS. ONE IS WHAT WE
19 CALL COUNTY-WIDE GOALS. THESE ARE THE BROAD THINGS THAT WE
20 HOPE FOR OUR COUNTY, AND THE TWO EXAMPLES I'M GOING THROUGH
21 RUN FOR YOU, THE FIRST ONE YOU HAVE UP HERE IS THE GOAL IS
22 FAMILIES HAVE ACCESS TO QUALITY CHILD CARE. WE ALL KNOW THAT
23 THAT'S A VERY -- IT SOUNDS VERY STRAIGHTFORWARD, BUT IT'S
24 ACTUALLY A VERY COMPLICATED THING TO BE ABLE TO BRING OFF. AND
25 SO THE SPECIFIC PROGRESS INDICATOR THAT WE'RE SUGGESTING TO



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1 BEGIN WITH IS ONE ON WHICH WE CURRENTLY HAVE DATA, AND THAT IS
2 LICENSED CHILD CARE SPACES AS A PROPORTION OF THE
3 CORRESPONDING POPULATION. YOU SEE BELOW THAT THAT'S AN
4 INDICATOR THAT'S AROUND SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL WELL BEING. THE
5 MORE THAT YOU DISCUSS THE DATA THAT'S AVAILABLE, THE MORE YOU
6 REALIZE THE DATA THAT WE DON'T HAVE, AND SO THE HIGH PRIORITY
7 RESEARCH AGENDA IS THE THIRD PART OF THE FRAMEWORK, AND THAT
8 IS IT SAYS IN THIS INSTANCE THAT WE REALLY NEED MORE RESEARCH
9 ON ACCESS, AFFORDABILITY AND QUALITY OF FAMILY DAY CARE, CHILD
10 CARE CENTERS AND PRESCHOOL PROGRAMS. SO IF YOU COULD GO TO THE
11 SPECIFIC EXAMPLE. WHAT WE ARE PROPOSING TO DO IS NOT ONLY USE
12 THIS FRAMEWORK IN THE CONCEPTUAL SENSE, BUT ALSO TO LOOK AT
13 SPECIFIC DATA, AND SO YOU HAVE SOME SPECIFIC DATA IN FRONT OF
14 YOU THAT TELLS YOU WHAT WE KNOW NOW ABOUT LICENSED CHILD CARE
15 AND FAMILIES' ACCESS TO QUALITY CHILD CARE. YOU'LL SEE IN THE
16 NUMBERS THAT WE'VE GIVEN DATA ON THE DIFFERENT CHILD CARE
17 THAT'S AVAILABLE BY S.P.A. AND THAT WE'VE DIVIDED IT INTO
18 INFANT CHILD CARE AND PRESCHOOL CHILD CARE AVAILABILITY. I
19 KNOW YOU'VE HEARD BEFORE FROM THE OFFICE OF CHILD CARE AND OUR
20 NEEDS ASSESSMENT THAT THE CHILD CARE PLANNING COMMITTEE DID,
21 THAT WE DO HAVE RELATIVELY MORE PRESCHOOL SPACES IN L.A.
22 COUNTY THAN WE HAVE INFANT CARE SPACES AND YOU CAN SEE THAT IN
23 FRONT OF YOU. SO FOR S.P.A. ONE FOR EXAMPLE, THERE'S SEVEN
24 LICENSED SPACES FOR INFANTS UNDER THE AGE OF TWO IN THE
25 ANTELOPE VALLEY FOR EVERY 100 CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF 2.



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1 THERE ARE 25.9 LICENSED CHILD CARE SPACES IN THE ANTELOPE
2 VALLEY FOR PRESCHOOLERS BETWEEN THE AGES OF THREE AND FIVE
3 YEARS OLD. SO YOU SEE THE DIFFERENTIAL, WE'VE GOT
4 APPROXIMATELY A QUARTER AND IN MANY PLACES, MUCH LESS THAN A
5 QUARTER OF INFANT SPACES COMPARED TO PRESCHOOL SPACES. IF YOU
6 GO TO THE SECOND ONE, JUST FOR ANOTHER EXAMPLE, BECAUSE WE'RE
7 TRYING TO LOOK AT DIFFERENT KINDS OF DATA, NOT ONLY THE DATA
8 ON THE SERVICES THAT ARE AVAILABLE, BUT THE DATA THAT PARENTS
9 GIVE US ABOUT HOW THEIR CHILDREN ARE ACTUALLY DOING. SO THIS
10 ONE IS ABOUT THE GOAL IS FAMILIES AND CARE GIVERS INTERACT
11 WITH CHILDREN IN WAYS THAT PROMOTE COGNITIVE LINGUISTIC,
12 SOCIAL, EMOTIONAL, AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT. THAT'S OBVIOUSLY
13 A VERY BROAD GOAL. THE INDICATOR IS THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN
14 FIVE AND UNDER WHO ARE READ TO DAILY BY A FAMILY MEMBER, THIS
15 DATA COMES FROM THE L.A. HEALTH SURVEY, AND YOU WILL SEE THAT
16 THERE'S QUITE A RESEARCH AGENDA THERE BECAUSE WE NEED TO KNOW
17 OBVIOUSLY A GREAT DEAL MORE THAN JUST THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN
18 WHO ARE READ TO DAILY, BUT IF YOU GO TO THE SPECIFIC DATA, WE
19 DO FROM THE L.A. HEALTH SURVEY HAVE SPECIFIC DATA BY ETHNIC
20 GROUP, AS WELL AS BY S.P.A. ON THE NUMBER OF PARENTS WHO
21 REPORT THAT THEY READ TO THEIR CHILDREN DAILY, AND YOU WILL
22 SEE THAT WE HAVE A GOOD WAY TO GO IN TERMS OF ENCOURAGING
23 PARENTS. MANY PARENTS DON'T KNOW HOW IMPORTANT IT IS TO EITHER
24 READ OR TELL STORIES TO YOUR CHILDREN OR INTERACT WITH THEM
25 VERBALLY ON A DAILY BASIS. SO YOU'LL SEE THE HIGHEST LEVEL IS



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1 46.8 IN S.P.A. FIVE, AND MANY OF THE OTHERS ARE SIGNIFICANTLY
2 LOWER THAN THAT. SO THOSE TWO JUST TO GIVE YOU AN EXAMPLE OF
3 WHY WE THINK THIS FRAMEWORK COULD BE IMPORTANT, YOUR ADOPTING
4 IT COULD BE IMPORTANT. THE SECOND RECOMMENDATION, IF YOU
5 AGREED TO THIS FRAMEWORK, IS TO ASK THE NEW DIRECTIONS TASK
6 FORCE AND THE AGENCY HEADS TO IDENTIFY THE CURRENT PROGRAMS
7 THAT AFFECT THESE COUNTY-WIDE GOALS AS A PRIORITY FOR THEIR
8 INCLUSION IN THE NEXT VERSION OF THE CHILDREN'S BUDGET. AS YOU
9 KNOW, EACH DEPARTMENT THAT SERVES CHILDREN IS TAKING PROGRAMS
10 AND ATTACHING PERFORMANCE MEASURES TO THEM, AND THEY'RE DOING
11 THAT ON A ROLLOUT BASIS OVER SEVERAL YEARS. SO WE'D LIKE YOU
12 TO ASK THEM TO IDENTIFY THE PROGRAMS THAT ARE MOST IMPORTANT
13 FOR VERY YOUNG CHILDREN, SO THAT WE CAN START GETTING DATA
14 FROM THOSE DEPARTMENTS AND SEE WHAT IT IS THAT COUNTY SERVICES
15 ACTUALLY CONTRIBUTE TO THE WELL BEING OF YOUNG CHILDREN. NOW
16 I'D LIKE TO ASK ARMANDO TO DEAL WITH THE THIRD RECOMMENDATION.

17

18 **ARMANDO JIMENEZ:** THE THIRD RECOMMENDATION IS THAT WE REQUEST
19 THAT FIRST FIVE L.A. IN COORDINATION AND CONSULTATION WITH THE
20 CHILDREN'S PLANNING COUNCIL AND OTHER KEY PARTNERS FROM THE
21 SCHOOL READINESS INDICATOR WORK GROUP INITIATE WORK ON THE
22 HIGH PRIORITY RESEARCH AGENDA. AS YOU'LL NOTICE FROM THE
23 FRAMEWORK, THERE ARE FOUR COUNTY-WIDE GOALS FOR WHICH THE WORK
24 GROUP COULD NOT IDENTIFY PROGRESS INDICATORS BECAUSE DATA WAS
25 NOT AVAILABLE AT THE COUNTY-WIDE OR BY SERVICE PLANNING AREA.



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1 THESE PARTICULAR GOALS THAT DID NOT HAVE DATA SUPPORTING THEM
2 WERE FAMILIES ENSURE THAT CHILDREN ARE SAFE FROM UNINTENTIONAL
3 INJURIES, SCHOOLS AND CHILD CARE PROGRAMS PROMOTE AN
4 ENVIRONMENT THAT IS CONDUCTIVE TO LEARNING, SCHOOLS, FAMILIES,
5 AND CARE GIVERS WORK TOGETHER TO ENSURE A POSITIVE TRANSITION
6 TO K-6 EDUCATION. AND COMMUNITIES OFFER AFFORDABLE HOUSING FOR
7 FAMILIES. ALTHOUGH WE DO NOT HAVE DATA AT A COUNTY-WIDE OR
8 S.P.A. LEVEL FOR THESE GOALS THE WORK GROUP RELYING ON THEIR
9 EXPERTISE IN THE CRITERIA THEY ESTABLISHED FOR IDENTIFYING
10 INDICATORS BELIEVE THESE ARE ESSENTIAL COMPONENTS OF THE
11 SCHOOL READINESS FRAMEWORK. IN ADDITION, THE WORK GROUP FOUND
12 THAT THERE ARE SEVERAL KEY ASPECTS OF OTHER GOALS THAT ARE
13 ESSENTIAL TO SCHOOL READINESS BUT ARE NOT CAPTURED BY CURRENT
14 AVAILABLE DATA IN THESE AREAS. THIS LED TO THE CREATION OF THE
15 HIGH PRIORITY RESEARCH AGENDA. AS COMMISSIONER LOWE MENTIONED
16 EARLIER IN HER OPENING REMARKS, FIRST FIVE L.A. IS PREPARED TO
17 TAKE THE LEAD ON THIS RECOMMENDATION. THE FOURTH
18 RECOMMENDATION RELATES TO YOUR REQUEST FOR A PLAN TO BUILD
19 CONSENSUS COUNTY-WIDE AROUND THE INDICATORS AND NANCY WILL
20 SPEAK ABOUT THIS RECOMMENDATION.

21

22 **NANCY AU:** THANK YOU, ARMANDO. IN TERMS OF CONSENSUS BUILDING,
23 OUR RECOMMENDATION IS THAT WE -- THAT THE BOARD DIRECT THE
24 CHILDREN'S PLANNING COUNCIL IN PARTNERSHIP WITH FIRST FIVE
25 L.A. AND OTHER KEY PARTNERS FROM THE SCHOOL READINESS



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1 INDICATOR WORK GROUP TO IMPLEMENT THE PLAN FOR BUILDING
2 COUNTY-WIDE CONSENSUS AROUND THE FRAMEWORK. WE ARE PROUD THAT
3 THE SCHOOL READINESS FRAMEWORK THAT WE ARE -- THAT WE ARE
4 RECOMMENDING FOR ADOPTION. IT REPRESENTS A VERY THOUGHTFUL AND
5 DISCIPLINED PROCESS TO DEVELOPING THE RECOMMENDATIONS THAT YOU
6 HAVE BEFORE YOU TODAY. THIS IS A REMARKABLE MILESTONE, AND WE
7 STILL HAVE A GREAT DEAL OF WORK AHEAD OF US. THE INDICATORS OF
8 THE FRAMEWORK CAN BE A POWERFUL TOOL TO GALVANIZE ACTION
9 ACROSS THE COUNTY'S DIVERSE COMMUNITIES TO ENSURE THAT
10 CHILDREN ARE PROVIDED THE SERVICES AND SUPPORTS THEY NEED TO
11 BEGIN SCHOOL READY TO LEARN. WE SEE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE
12 CONSENSUS BUILDING PLAN AS THE NEXT KEY STEP TO ENSURING THAT
13 THIS HAPPENS. THE C.P.C., FIRST FIVE L.A. AND THE WORK GROUP
14 MEMBERS ARE COMMITTED TO WORKING TOGETHER TO BUILD COUNTY-WIDE
15 CONSENSUS AROUND THE INDICATORS, AND THESE ARE JUST SOME OF
16 THE HIGHLIGHTS OF HOW THEY PLAN TO DO THAT. THE C.P.C. WILL
17 INCORPORATE THE SCHOOL READINESS INDICATORS IN THEIR MISSION
18 TO BUILD COUNTY-WIDE COMMITMENT TO OUTCOMES AMONG COUNTY
19 DEPARTMENTS, NONPROFIT AGENCIES, PRIVATE INSTITUTIONS, AND THE
20 COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS. THE S.P.A. AND AMERICAN INDIAN
21 CHILDREN'S COUNCIL S.P.A. E.I.C. COUNCILS HAVE ADOPTED A
22 PARTICULAR FOCUS ON SCHOOL READINESS AND SCHOOL SUCCESS, AND
23 WE USE THE FRAMEWORK TO TARGET THEIR EFFORTS IN THE COMMUNITY
24 TO ENSURE THAT THE GREATEST IMPACT ON SCHOOL READINESS OCCURS.
25 THIS COUNCIL ALREADY ENGAGE IN SOME VERY REMARKABLE WORK



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1 AROUND SCHOOL READINESS, AND THIS WILL STRENGTHEN THEIR
2 EFFORTS. THE LOS ANGELES CITY COMMISSION FOR CHILDREN, YOUTH,
3 AND THEIR FAMILIES WILL IDENTIFY THE CITY-SPONSORED PROGRAMS
4 THAT COULD OR DO PLAY KEY ROLES IN SCHOOL READINESS OR EARLY
5 LEARNING AS PART OF ITS CHILDREN'S BUDGET PROCESS FOR 2003 AND
6 '04 AND INCLUDE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
7 ABOUT THE CITY'S ROLE IN PROMOTING SCHOOL READINESS. IT WILL
8 ALSO CONSIDER THE FRAMEWORK AND THE PROGRESS INDICATORS AS
9 PART OF ITS REVIEW OF THE CITY'S EXISTING CHILD CARE POLICY.
10 THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION WILL USE THE
11 PROGRESS INDICATORS IN SELECTING THE ESSENTIAL ELEMENTS OF
12 THEIR SCHOOL READINESS ACTION PLAN. L.A.C.O., EXCUSE ME, WILL
13 ALSO WORK WITH ITS HEAD START DIVISION ON A NUMBER OF AREAS
14 RELATED TO ACHIEVING THE COUNTY-WIDE GOALS. THE LOS ANGELES
15 UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, L.A.U.S.D., WHICH ADOPTED ITS
16 COUNTY'S FIVE OUTCOMES OF CHILD WELL BEING IN APRIL, WILL
17 PURSUE AN L.A. UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD MOTION TO SUPPORT
18 AND ADOPT THIS SCHOOL READINESS FRAMEWORK. IT WILL ALSO ENGAGE
19 EARLY EDUCATION ADMINISTRATORS, AND PARENTS IN DISCUSSIONS AND
20 STRATEGY PLANNING AROUND THE FRAMEWORK. THE RESEARCH AND
21 EVALUATION DIVISION USED THE FRAMEWORK TO INFORM THE
22 DEVELOPMENT OF RESEARCH DESIGNS AND EVALUATION FOR CHILDREN
23 AGE FIVE AND UNDER. THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY POLICY ROUND TABLE
24 FOR CHILD CARE WILL INCORPORATE THE SCHOOL READINESS PROGRESS
25 INDICATORS INTO ITS ONGOING WORK, PARTICULARLY TO THOSE



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1 RELATED TO COUNTY-WIDE GOAL ONE, WHICH STATES, "FAMILIES HAVE
2 ACCESS TO QUALITY CHILD CARE." THE ROUND TABLE AGREES TO
3 PROMOTE THE PROGRESS INDICATORS AND CONTRIBUTE, WHERE
4 POSSIBLE, TO THE HIGH PRIORITY RESEARCH AGENDA. OTHER WORK
5 WITH MEMBERS HAVE IDENTIFIED WAYS THAT THEY WILL HELP TO BUILD
6 CONSENSUS WITH THEIR ORGANIZATION, PROFESSIONS, AND AMONG KEY
7 STAKEHOLDERS. THIS IS A VERY AMBITIOUS PLAN, AND ONE THAT
8 C.P.C. AND FIRST FIVE L.A. ARE COMMITTED TO SUPPORTING.

9

10 **YOLIE FLORES AGUILAR:** THANK YOU, NANCY. OUR FIFTH AND FINAL
11 RECOMMENDATION RELATES TO TRACKING AND ACCOUNTABILITY IN OUR
12 COMMITMENT TO KEEP YOUR BOARD INFORMED OF OUR COLLECTIVE
13 PROGRESS. THE FIFTH RECOMMENDATION IS TO INSTRUCT THE
14 CHILDREN'S PLANNING COUNCIL AND THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE
15 OFFICE TO REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD EVERY SIX MONTHS FOR THE
16 NEXT 18 MONTHS REGARDING PROGRESS IN ACHIEVING THESE
17 RECOMMENDATIONS.

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19 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR
20 YAROSLAVSKY, YOU HAVE A MOTION?

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22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MADAM CHAIR, I HAVE A MOTION, IT'S JOINTLY
23 WITH SUPERVISOR KNABE, AND I WILL JUST READ THE RESOLVE PART.
24 WE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND WE WANT TO ADOPT THE
25 FRAMEWORK FOR TRACKING AND MEASUREMENT OF CORE SET OF SCHOOL



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1 READINESS INDICATORS. TWO, DIRECT THE NEW DIRECTIONS TASKFORCE
2 DEPARTMENTS TO IDENTIFY CURRENT PROGRAMS THAT AFFECT THE
3 COUNTY-WIDE GOALS AS SET FORTH IN THE FRAMEWORK FOR INCLUSION
4 IN THE 2004/2005 CHILDREN'S BUDGET ADDENDUM, DEVELOP
5 PERFORMANCE MEASURES FOR THOSE PROGRAMS, AND IDENTIFY DATA
6 SOURCES RELATED TO THE HIGH PRIORITY RESEARCH AGENDA. REQUEST
7 -- NUMBER THREE, REQUEST THE FIRST FIVE L.A. COMMISSION IN
8 CONSULTATION WITH THE CHILDREN'S PLANNING COUNCIL AND OTHER
9 STAKEHOLDERS TO INITIATE WORK ON THE HIGH PRIORITY RESEARCH
10 AGENDA. FOUR, DIRECT THE CHILDREN'S PLANNING COUNCIL, IN
11 PARTNERSHIP WITH FIRST FIVE L.A. AND OTHER KEY STAKEHOLDERS TO
12 IMPLEMENT THE PLAN FOR BUILDING COUNTY-WIDE CONSENSUS AROUND
13 THE FRAMEWORK. AND FIVE, DIRECT THE CHILDREN'S PLANNING
14 COUNCIL AND CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE TO REPORT BACK TO THE
15 BOARD AT SIX MONTH INTERVALS FOR NEXT -- FOR THE NEXT 18
16 MONTHS REGARDING PROGRESS IN ACHIEVING THESE RECOMMENDATIONS.
17 AND I WANT TO THANK THE --

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19 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE.

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21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I WANT TO THANK THE PRESENTERS HERE TODAY,
22 THE CHILDREN'S PLANNING COUNCIL, THE FIRST 5 WORKSHOP AND
23 THEIR TEAM AND YOLIE AND --

24
25 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I HAVE A QUESTION.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THE STAFF. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR
3 WORK.

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5 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR KNABE AND THEN SUPERVISOR
6 ANTONOVICH HAVE QUESTIONS.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE:** I JUST WANTED TO THANK EVERYONE AS WELL FOR A JOB
9 WELL DONE ON THIS. I MEAN THIS IS AN INCREDIBLE EFFORT.
10 OBVIOUSLY ONE OF MY PASSIONS IS LITERACY, AND TO BE ABLE TO
11 ACCUMULATE THESE INDICATORS JUST TAKES THE POTENTIAL LEVEL OF
12 INCREASED LITERACY TO THE NEXT LEVEL. SO I WANT TO COMPLIMENT
13 AND THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR EFFORT AND THE ONGOING PROGNOSIS
14 FOR WHAT YOU'VE BEEN ABLE TO ACCOMPLISH HERE, SO THANK YOU
15 VERY MUCH.

16

17 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.

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19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE ONLY QUESTION I HAD, DID THE WORK GROUP
20 RESEARCH THE IMPORTANCE OF ADOPTION, OF FINDING PERMANENT
21 HOMES FOR OUR FOSTER CHILDREN?

22

23 **JACQUELYN MCCROSKY:** WE HAD A GREAT DEAL OF DISCUSSION, YOU
24 WON'T BE SURPRISED TO HEAR, ABOUT THE SET OF CHILDREN THAT THE
25 COUNTY'S MOST RESPONSIBLE FOR. AND WHAT WE AGREED IS THAT WE



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1 NEED TO CONTINUE THAT WORK IN CONSULTATION WITH DAVID SANDERS
2 AND THE WHOLE DEPARTMENT, WHERE WE -- THERE'S ONE INDICATOR
3 YOU NOTICE ON HERE, WE KNOW THAT'S THE TIP OF THE ICEBERG,
4 IT'S NOT WHERE WE REALLY NEED TO GO, AND WE -- DEFINITELY WE
5 TALKED ABOUT ADOPTION AND WE TALKED ABOUT PERMANENCY. WE ALSO
6 TALKED ABOUT EARLY PREVENTION AND WE THOUGHT THIS IS WORTHY OF
7 A MUCH MORE IN-DEPTH CONVERSATION.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO THEN WE'LL CONTINUE WITH THAT?

10

11 **JACQUELYN MCCROSKEY:** YEAH.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.

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15 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. I CERTAINLY WANT TO CONGRATULATE
16 YOU. AND IT'S ONE OF OUR PRIORITIES IN THE SECOND DISTRICT TO
17 -- WELL CHILD CARE AND SCHOOL READINESS IS PART OF THAT CHILD
18 CARE AND WE HAVE A COUPLE OF PROJECTS WE'RE CERTAINLY HOPING
19 TO MOVE FORWARD VERY SOON. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.
20 THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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22 **SPEAKER. THANK YOU.**

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24 **>>SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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3 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** I'M GOING TO CALL UP ITEM NUMBER 5, AND
4 GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL AND JIM LOTT HAVE REQUESTED TO SPEAK. IF
5 THEY COULD COME FORWARD, AND ONE OTHER PERSON HAS ASKED TO
6 SPEAK, TOO. MANDY JOHNSON, IF SHE WILL COME FORWARD ALSO ON
7 THIS ITEM. [MIXED VOICES]

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9 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** YES, UH-HUH.

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11 **GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD MORNING BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. FIRST
12 OF ALL, I --

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14 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME.

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16 **GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** OH. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. I WANT TO THANK
17 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH TO BRING THE IDEA OF A GRADING SYSTEM. I
18 THINK IT'S A GREAT IDEA. IT'S A VERY COMPLEX PROJECT, AND I
19 THINK IT WILL TAKE A LOT OF WORK TO MAKE IT HAPPEN, BUT I
20 THINK IT'S A WORTHWHILE PROJECT. AS WE SPEAK TODAY, HOSPITAL
21 IN THE U.S. HAVE A LOUSY RATING SYSTEM. THEY PAY TONS OF MONEY
22 TO BE ACCREDITED TO THE JOINT ACCREDITATION, BUT IT'S NOT A
23 TRUE REFLECTION OF THE CARE PATIENT RECEIVE, OR ALSO CARE A
24 PHYSICIAN PROVIDE. I THINK WE NEED TO FIND A WAY WHERE WE CAN
25 TRULY EDUCATE THE PUBLIC ON THE QUALITY OF CARE, WHICH IS



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1 DELIVERED, NOT ONLY IN THE HOSPITAL BUT SPECIALLY NURSING
2 HOME, I THINK PROBABLY THE NURSING HOME IS THE MORE CRUCIAL
3 AREA, AND I THINK WE NEED TO DEVELOP A BRANCH OF SERVICE, WE
4 CAN GO AT RANDOM AND CHECK HOSPITAL AND NURSING HOME THE SAME
5 WAY THEY CHECK RESTAURANT AND SO ON FOR MEETINGS THE
6 STANDARDS. SO I WILL CERTAINLY SUPPORT SOMETHING LIKE THAT AND
7 I WILL ENCOURAGE A TASKFORCE TO REALLY LOOK AT THE PROS AND
8 CON AND THE LIABILITY AND SO ON. I THINK THE WAY THINGS ARE
9 GOING TODAY MANY PHYSICIAN WILL DELIVER POOR CARE, NEVER COME
10 TO THE PUBLIC BECAUSE THEY HIDE THEMSELVES UNDER THE CORPORATE
11 SHIELD, AND WHEN A PHYSICIAN IS SUED FOR MALPRACTICE UNDER THE
12 CORPORATE SHIELD IT NEVER IS PUBLICIZED. SO I THINK WE NEED TO
13 LOOK AT ALL THOSE SITUATION AND REALLY DO SOME WORK. THANK
14 YOU.

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16 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. JAMES LOTT.

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18 **JAMES LOTT:** GOOD MORNING MEMBERS, MY NAME IS JIM LOTT, I
19 REPRESENT THE PRIVATE HOSPITALS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY AS THE
20 EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT OF THE HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION OF
21 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. I'M NOT REALLY UNDERSTANDING COMPLETELY
22 WHAT THE MOTION IS ALL ABOUT OR WHAT THE GENESIS OF THE MOTION
23 IS, BUT LET ME ADVISE THE MEMBERS THAT THE HOSPITAL INDUSTRY
24 IS NO STRANGER TO QUALITY INDICATORS, OUTCOME MEASURES, AND
25 REPORT CARDS. WE'VE GOT THESE BEING DONE AT MANY DIFFERENT



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1 LEVELS, MANY DIFFERENT ORGANIZATIONS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY.
2 HEALTH PLANS, FOR EXAMPLE, FOR PRIVATE HOSPITALS, HEALTH
3 PLANS, EITHER CURRENTLY, ARE OR ARE IN THE PROCESS OF PLANNING
4 TO NOTIFY THEIR MEMBERS OF THE RANKINGS OF HOSPITALS, SO THEY
5 ISSUING -- SOME ARE ISSUING REPORT CARDS, OTHERS ARE ALREADY
6 DOING THAT AND PROVIDING THAT TO CONSUMERS. IF YOU DO DECIDE
7 YOU WISH TO GO FORWARD WITH THIS MOTION, I WOULD HOPE AND
8 TRUST THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES AND COUNTY
9 COUNSEL WOULD INCLUDE IN THEIR REPORT BACK TO YOU EXACTLY WHAT
10 ALL THESE OTHER EFFORTS ARE THAT ARE CURRENTLY GOING ON THAT
11 DO GRADE HOSPITALS AND PROVIDE THAT INFORMATION TO THE PUBLIC.
12 I THINK THAT WOULD BE HELPFUL IN YOUR MAKING YOUR FINAL
13 DECISION. WE WOULD ALSO RECOMMEND, BECAUSE THIS DEALS WITH THE
14 FACILITIES, THE HEALTH FACILITIES THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF
15 HEALTH SERVICES SURVEYS, WE WOULD ALSO RECOMMEND THAT ANY
16 GRADING SYSTEM THAT YOU PUT TOGETHER FOR THE PRIVATE SECTOR
17 FACILITIES IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY ALSO BE USED TO MEASURE THE
18 QUALITY AND THE COUNTY-RUN FACILITIES. WE WOULD NOT WANT A
19 DOUBLE STANDARD, I DON'T THINK, IN THIS COUNTY, SO IF THE
20 COUNTY COUNSEL AND THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES ADOPTS A
21 NEW REPORT CARD SYSTEM, THEN I WOULD TRUST AND HOPE THAT THAT
22 WOULD BE MADE AVAILABLE TO THE STATE INSPECTORS THAT ALSO LOOK
23 AT COUNTY FACILITIES THAT THAT SAME MEASURE WOULD BE PLACED ON
24 COUNTY FACILITIES. I THINK CONSUMERS NEED TO SEE THAT HAPPEN
25 AS WELL. THE LAST COMMENT I'D LIKE TO MAKE IS SORT OF A



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1 CAUTIONARY NOTE, AND THAT IS THAT IT IS OUR POLICY IN OUR
2 INDUSTRY NOT TO INDEMNIFY ANY AGENCY WHO ISSUES THESE TYPES OF
3 REPORT CARDS ON HOSPITALS AND THAT WE WOULD VIGOROUSLY RESIST
4 ANY REQUIREMENT OR OPPORTUNITY TO ASK FOR INDEMNIFICATION.
5 THERE IS THE POTENTIAL FOR LIABILITY FOR YOUR GOING BEYOND
6 WHAT THE STATE REQUIRES YOU TO DO IN ISSUING THESE TYPES OF
7 LABELS FOR HEALTH FACILITIES, AND THAT COULD MAKE YOU, AS
8 HOSPITALS CURRENTLY ARE DEEP POCKETS, THAT COULD HAVE YOU JOIN
9 OUR DEEP POCKET IN THE EVENT THAT SOMEONE FILES A LAWSUIT AND
10 SAYS 'BUT THE COUNTY SAID YOU WERE AN 'A' FACILITY AND YOU
11 KILLED MY HUSBAND,' YOU KNOW, AS A RIDICULOUS EXAMPLE, BUT,
12 YOU KNOW, SOMETHING THAT YOU NEED TO BE AWARE OF. WE ARE A
13 VERY LITIGIOUS SOCIETIES, AND HOSPITALS BEING A LARGE
14 PROFITABLE INDUSTRY IN THIS COUNTRY ARE TARGETS OF LAWSUITS
15 ALL OF THE TIME, AND I BELIEVE THE UMBRELLA WILL PROBABLY BE
16 EXTENDED TO LOOP YOU IN, TOO, IF YOU RATE IN THIS FASHION. SO
17 THAT'S ONE CAUTIONARY NOTE AND IF YOU DECIDE TO GO FORWARD, I
18 WOULD SUGGEST THAT YOU TRY TO GET SOME KIND OF IMMUNITIES FROM
19 LIABILITY FROM THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA BEFORE YOU DO THAT.

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21 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT THANK YOU. MANDY JOHNSON.

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23 **MANDY JOHNSON:** YES. I'M MANDY JOHNSON, THE C.E.O. OF THE
24 COMMUNITY CLINIC ASSOCIATION OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THANK YOU
25 VERY MUCH FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK. FIRSTLY COMMUNITY



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1 CLINICS ARE COMMITTED TO QUALITY HEALTHCARE, AND MANY OF THEM
2 BEGAN AS VOLUNTEER EFFORTS, COMMUNITY PEOPLE ORGANIZING AND
3 THEIR FIRST COMMITMENT TO QUALITY CARE IS WHEN THEY CHOSE TO
4 GET LICENSED BY THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA AND MEET RIGOROUS
5 STANDARDS THAT ARE SET BY THE STATE AND REGULATED AND
6 EVALUATED QUITE FREQUENTLY. MANY OF THE CLINICS HAVE SOUGHT
7 FURTHER CERTIFICATION THROUGH JOINT COMMISSION TO HAVE
8 NATIONAL STANDARDS AT AN EVEN HIGHER LEVEL, AND THEY MEET
9 THOSE. THIS PROCESS IS COSTLY, IT'S EXTENSIVE, IT TAKES STAFF
10 AWAY FROM PATIENT CARE, BUT IT IS A COMMITMENT THAT MANY HAVE
11 MADE TO DEMONSTRATE THE QUALITY OF CARE THEY PROVIDE. AS
12 MANAGED CARE PROVIDERS, CLINICS ALSO ARE PARTICIPATING IN THE
13 MANY REPORT CARDS AND THE TRACKING OF HEALTH INDICATORS AND
14 WILL BE PART OF THE REPORTING PROCESS THAT MR. LOTT
15 REFERENCED. AND WHEN THE HEALTHY KIDS SCHOOL READINESS
16 INDICATORS GO INTO EFFECT THE CLINICS CONTRACTING FOR THAT
17 PRODUCT LINE WILL BE PART OF THAT EFFORT AS WELL. MANY OF OUR
18 CLINICS ARE FEDERALLY FUNDED, AND THEY GO THROUGH A PRIMARY
19 CARE EFFECTIVENESS SITE REVIEW PROCESS THAT ALSO EVALUATES ALL
20 THE PROCESSES IN SEVEN DIFFERENT LIFE CYCLES OF THEIR
21 PATIENTS. TOGETHER WITH THE COUNTY, AS PUBLIC/PRIVATE
22 PARTNERS, WE ARE CURRENTLY WORKING VERY HARD TO ESTABLISH A
23 UNIFORM AND INTEGRATED SYSTEM OF CARE WITH THE COUNTY, SO WE
24 WOULD BE VERY CONCERNED IF THE COUNTY DECIDES TO TAKE ON THIS
25 EFFORT THAT IT ALSO APPLY TO COUNTY CLINICS, WHICH ARE



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1 CURRENTLY NOT LICENSED. SO WE REALLY APPRECIATE SUPERVISOR
2 BURKE, YOUR AMENDMENT TO THE MOTION THAT THIS EFFORT REALLY BE
3 STUDIED VERY CAREFULLY BY THE DEPARTMENT AND COUNTY COUNSEL
4 BECAUSE IT IS A HUGE UNDERTAKING AND IT DOES INVOLVE
5 CONSIDERABLE COST AND EFFORT TO REALLY PUT THE COUNTY'S STAMP
6 OF APPROVAL ON WHAT THE RATING OF ANY LICENSED HEALTHCARE
7 FACILITY WOULD BE. THANK YOU.

8

9 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.

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11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HOW DO YOU NOTIFY THE PUBLIC ON THE
12 INSPECTIONS AND REPORTS THAT ARE DONE ON YOUR FACILITIES RIGHT
13 NOW?

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15 **MANDY JOHNSON:** CURRENTLY, CLINICS POST THEIR LICENSES. THEIR
16 REPORTS ARE NOT REQUIRED.

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18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NOT THE LICENSE, THE LICENSE, BUT THE
19 INSPECTION RESULTS ON THOSE REPORTS.

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21 **MANDY JOHNSON:** THE INSPECTION REPORTS ARE NOT REQUIRED TO BE
22 POSTED TO THE PUBLIC AT THIS POINT IN TIME.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** RIGHT, BUT HOW DO YOU MAKE THAT AVAILABLE TO
25 THE PUBLIC?



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2 **MANDY JOHNSON:** IF THE PUBLIC INQUIRED, IT WOULD BE UP TO THE
3 INDIVIDUAL CLINIC TO RESPOND TO THAT CONSUMER THAT WANTED THE
4 INFORMATION.

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO YOU DON'T HAVE A POLICY TO ALLOW THE
7 PUBLIC TO HAVE THIS INFORMATION WITHOUT AN INDIVIDUAL MAKING
8 AN INDIVIDUAL REQUEST.

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10 **MANDY JOHNSON:** CURRENTLY, THAT IS NOT A REQUIREMENT OF CLINIC
11 LICENSURE.

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13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THAT'S ONE OF THE INTENT, IS TO HAVE GREATER
14 DISCLOSURE TO THE PUBLIC.

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16 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** I HAVE A SUBSTITUTE -- I HAD SAID I HAD PUT
17 ON THAT AS AN AMENDMENT, I'D LIKE TO MAKE A SUBSTITUTE MOTION
18 THAT WE INSTRUCT THE DIRECTOR OF HEALTH SERVICES, IN
19 CONSULTATION WITH THE COUNTY COUNSEL, TO EVALUATE THE FISCAL
20 AND LEGAL IMPLICATIONS OF THIS PROPOSAL, INCLUDING SUCH ISSUES
21 AS JURISDICTION, FINANCING, POTENTIAL LIABILITY AND REPORT
22 BACK TO THE BOARD IN 60 DAYS AND DELAY ANY ACTION REGARDING
23 THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A HEALTH FACILITY SYSTEM UNTIL THIS
24 REPORT HAS BEEN PROVIDED TO THE BOARD.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THAT'S YOUR AMENDMENT.

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3 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** BUT IT'S A SUBSTITUTE. IT WILL BE BY
4 SUBSTITUTE. INSTEAD OF AN AMENDMENT. IN OTHER WORDS, THERE
5 WOULD BE NO ACTION ON THIS UNTIL AFTER WE RECEIVE ALL THE
6 IMPLICATIONS.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WELL THE ACTION IS TO ASK FOR THE REPORT TO
9 COME BACK BEFORE WE DO TAKE ACTION. SO WHAT WE ARE ATTEMPTING
10 TO DO IS GET A REPORT BY THE VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS WHICH WOULD
11 INCLUDE THE COUNTY COUNSEL BEFORE THE BOARD WOULD TAKE ANY
12 ACTION, SO WE WOULD WANT THAT INFORMATION.

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA:** MADAM CHAIR, I'M CONCERNED ABOUT THIS COURSE OF
15 ACTION THAT WE'RE TAKING. I WOULD RATHER THAT IT BE AS A
16 SUBSTITUTE BECAUSE I DON'T WANT TO ENDORSE ANY ASPECT OF DOING
17 THIS KIND OF LEVEL OF INSPECTION UNTIL I KNOW ALL OF THE
18 FACTS, AND SO I'D LIKE TO SEE IT AS A SUBSTITUTE INSTEAD OF
19 ANY ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AS A MOTION, BECAUSE I DON'T SUPPORT THE
20 MOTION AS IS.

21

22 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. THEN I WOULD DELETE THE PORTION
23 THAT SAYS "DELAY ANY ACTION" AND THEN SAY JUST HAVE THAT WE
24 HAVE A REPORT BACK. ALL RIGHT.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** RIGHT, THAT'S WHAT WE HAVE, A REPORT BACK.

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3 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** INSTEAD OF DELAY -- SAY -- DELAY ANY ACTION
4 ON THIS, JUST SIMPLY SAY THAT THEY -- THAT SUBSTITUTE THAT WE
5 ASK THE DEPARTMENT TO REPORT BACK ON THOSE IMPLICATIONS.

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7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** TO REPORT TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

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9 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** RIGHT TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

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11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YOU'RE GOING TO GIVE THEM A TIME?

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13 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** 60 DAYS.

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15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** 60 DAYS.

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17 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** IS THERE A SECOND? WITHOUT OBJECTION SO
18 ORDERED. WE HAVE A PROBLEM THAT SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY HAS TO
19 LEAVE IN 45 MINUTES. WE HAVE VERY CRUCIAL ISSUES TO DISCUSS IN
20 CLOSED SESSION. I WILL -- IF 660 WANTS TO -- CAN MAKE THEIR
21 PRESENTATION IN 10 MINUTES, WE WOULD BE ABLE TO DO THAT. WE
22 HAVE ONE PERSON WHO IS ILL WHO SAYS THEY HAVE -- WANT TO
23 SPEAK. I WOULD LET THAT PERSON SPEAK, IF SHE AGREES TO SPEAK
24 FOR TWO MINUTES, AND THEN WE WOULD HAVE TO HAVE THE ENTIRE
25 PRESENTATION OF THE -- OF 660 IN 10 MINUTES. OTHERWISE, WE



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1 HAVE TO CONCLUDE. WILL YOU DO THAT? ALL RIGHT. WELL FIRST, LET
2 ME CALL DERISHA MECHELE GORDY-TANNER, AND SHE UNDERSTANDS, I'M
3 CALLING YOU OUT OF ORDER BECAUSE YOU'RE ILL. SHE WAS ON 62-B.
4 WHERE IS SHE? SHE'S GONE? ALL RIGHT. WELL, THEN, COULD WE CALL
5 UP THE REPRESENTATIVES OF 660 WHO'VE SIGNED UP FOR PUBLIC
6 COMMENT, TO COME FORWARD. 10 MINUTES. BECAUSE WE HAVE SOME
7 ISSUES THAT HAVE TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD THAT I KNOW ARE OF
8 GREAT INTEREST TO YOU. ALL RIGHT, YES. AND PLEASE STATE YOUR
9 NAME.

10

11 **TANYA AKEL:** OKAY. GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS
12 TANYA AKEL, I'M A RESEARCHER OF S.E.I.U. 660, REPRESENTING
13 50,000 L.A. COUNTY EMPLOYEES, INCLUDING OVER 1,800 IN THE
14 CHILD SUPPORT DEPARTMENT. WE PROVIDE VITAL SERVICES TO
15 HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF PARENTS AND CHILDREN IN L.A. COUNTY.
16 SUPERVISORS, WITH EACH PASSING DAY, IT BECOMES MORE AND MORE
17 OBVIOUS THAT THE STATE BUDGET PROCESS IS BROKEN. POLITICAL
18 GRIDLOCK GRIPS THE CALIFORNIAN LEGISLATURE AS A MINORITY OF
19 RIGHT WING REPUBLICANS IN SACRAMENTO REFUSE TO COMPROMISE TO
20 ARRIVE AT A BALANCED BUDGET SOLUTION TO THE STATE'S BUDGET
21 CRISIS. CALIFORNIA'S BUDGET IS BEING HELD HOSTAGE BY THOSE WHO
22 WOULD PUT POLITICS OVER PEOPLE. EVERY DAY THAT PASSES WITHOUT
23 A NEW STATE BUDGET COSTS THE RESIDENTS OF CALIFORNIA AN
24 ESTIMATED \$20 MILLION, MORE THAN DOUBLE THE AMOUNT NEEDED TO
25 MAKE L.A. COUNTY CHILD SUPPORT WHOLE. OUR UNION, S.E.I.U., HAS



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1 JOINED WITH LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS, THE CALIFORNIA P.T.A. AND
2 DOZENS OF OTHER ORGANIZATIONS TO FIX THIS BROKEN BUDGET
3 PROCESS. WE HAVE LAUNCHED A DRIVE TOGETHER, ONE MILLION
4 SIGNATURES TO PLACE THE BUDGET ACCOUNTABILITY ACT ON THE MARCH
5 BALLOT. THE BUDGET ACCOUNTABILITY ACT WILL GIVE VOTERS THE
6 TOOLS NEEDED TO HOLD LEGISLATORS ACCOUNTABLE TO DELIVER A FAIR
7 BUDGET ON TIME. UNFORTUNATELY, WHILE IT WILL PROVIDE LONG
8 OVERDUE REFORMS TO A BROKEN BUDGET PROCESS, THE BUDGET ACT
9 CANNOT SOLVE THE FALLOUT FROM THIS YEAR'S BUDGET MESS. AND ONE
10 OF THE EARLY CASUALTIES FROM THE BUDGET CRISIS IS L.A.
11 COUNTY'S DEPARTMENT OF CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES WHICH WAS HIT
12 WITH A 10.6 MILLION REDUCTION IN ITS FUNDING ALLOCATION FROM
13 SACRAMENTO. THIS CUT THREATENS TO LEAVE THOUSANDS OF FAMILIES
14 IN L.A. COUNTY WITHOUT ADEQUATE CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES.
15 CLEARLY, THIS IS NOT A PROBLEM THE COUNTY'S MAKING, BUT IS
16 LEFT UP TO US IN L.A. TO FIND SOLUTIONS. THANKFULLY, SUCH
17 SOLUTIONS ARE AT HAND. IF OUR ELECTED STATE REPRESENTATIVES
18 CAN GET THEIR HOUSE IN ORDER AND ADOPT BUDGETS THAT MEET THE
19 NEEDS OF CALIFORNIANS IN FUTURE YEARS, WE WILL BE LEFT WITHOUT
20 ANY RECOURSE. BUT THIS YEAR, YOUR BOARD CAN AND MUST TAKE
21 STEPS TO AVOID THE DISASTER IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILD SUPPORT
22 SERVICES. TODAY, YOU'LL HEAR FROM THREE CHILD SUPPORT WORKERS
23 WHO WILL TALK ABOUT WHAT'S AT STAKE AND HOW THE COUNTY CAN ACT
24 TO SAVE VITAL SERVICES. WE THANK YOU AND LOOK FORWARD TO



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1 WORKING WITH YOU TO SOLVE THIS YEAR'S CRISIS AS WELL AS FIXING
2 THE UNDERLYING STRUCTURAL PROBLEMS.

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4 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MAY I ASK YOU IF YOU HAVE -- [APPLAUSE]

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6 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** OKAY. NOW, THAT WE WANT TO RECOGNIZE THAT
7 YOU'RE HERE AND THAT WE HAVE REPRESENTATIVES HERE FROM CHILD
8 SUPPORT. HAVE YOU REVIEWED THE PROPOSAL TO PLACE ADDITIONAL
9 FUNDS WITHIN THE -- IN THE CHILD SUPPORT?

10

11 **TANYA AKEL:** WE UNDERSTAND THAT AS OF YESTERDAY, THAT 106
12 POSITIONS HAVE BEEN RESTORED AND MITIGATED. WE STILL HAVE 100
13 POSITIONS LEFT TO GO, AND WE'RE TRYING TO GET TO ZERO.

14

15 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** I SEE. SO YOU UNDERSTAND THAT THERE HAS
16 BEEN A MEASURE THAT MORE FUNDS HAVE BEEN PUT IN TO CUT DOWN.

17

18 **TANYA AKEL:** WE DO.

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20 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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22 **TANYA AKEL:** WE'RE VERY HAPPY ABOUT THAT.

23

24 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT.

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1 **LAWRENCE HILL:** GOOD MORNING BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS
2 LAWRENCE HILL, AND I AM AN S.E.I.U. LOCAL 660 SHOP STEWARD,
3 AND I HAVE BEEN A CHILD SUPPORT OFFICER IN THE DEPARTMENT OF
4 CHILD SUPPORT FOR 18 YEARS. WE ARE HERE TODAY TO ASK YOU TO
5 WORK WITH US TO PREVENT A TRAGEDY IN THE CHILD SUPPORT
6 PROGRAM. THE STATE IS CUTTING LOS ANGELES UNDER-FUNDED CHILD
7 SUPPORT PROGRAM BY 10.6 MILLION DOLLARS. THIS HAS PRECIPITATED
8 THE LAYOFF OF OVER 200, NOW 100 CHILD SUPPORT WORKERS. 84% OF
9 WHOM ARE FRONT LINE REVENUE-GENERATING STAFF. WE UNDERSTAND
10 THAT THE STATE IS RESPONSIBLE FOR CREATING THE CRISIS WE ARE
11 IN, BUT WE HAVE IDENTIFIED WAYS TO AVERT IT WITH YOUR
12 ASSISTANCE. THE WORK WE DO GENERATE MILLIONS OF DOLLARS FOR
13 THE FEDERAL, STATE, AND COUNTY COFFERS. CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES
14 HELP PULL CHILDREN OUT OF POVERTY, CREATE FINANCIAL AND FAMILY
15 STABILITY, KEEP CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES OFF OF WELFARE,
16 INCREASE THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN WITH PRIVATE HEALTHCARE
17 INSURANCE AND LOWER PROTECTIVE SERVICES CASES. THE 10 MILLION
18 DOLLAR CUT TO THE COUNTY WILL MEAN COLLECTIONS WILL GO DOWN,
19 AND WITH THAT SIGNIFICANTLY LESS DOLLARS FROM THE FEDERAL
20 GOVERNMENT. IN THE END, OVERALL, THE STATE AND COUNTY WILL
21 RECEIVE LESS MONEY IF THE CUTS ARE ENACTED. IN INCREASING THE
22 NUMBER OF UNINSURED CHILDREN AND CHILDREN RELYING ON MEDI-CAL
23 INSTEAD OF PRIVATE HEALTH INSURANCES. A KEY MISSION OF THE
24 CHILD SUPPORT PROGRAM IS TO SECURE PRIVATE HEALTH INSURANCE
25 FOR CHILDREN. IF THE CUTS ARE MADE, WE WILL NOT HAVE ADEQUATE



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1 STAFF TO PERFORM OUR CORE MISSION, LAYOFF OF S.E.I.U. 660
2 REPRESENTATIVE STAFF, THIS REDUCTION WILL MEAN THE LOSS OF
3 OVER NOW A HUNDRED STAFF MEMBERS. MANY WORKERS WILL RETURN TO
4 THE WELFARE ROLLS. INCREASED POVERTY AMONG CHILDREN AND WOMEN.
5 THIS COULD RESULT IN ALMOST 46 MILLION DOLLARS REDUCTION IN
6 LOCAL CHILD SUPPORT COLLECTION. SPECIFICALLY, THE PROPOSED
7 CUTS WOULD MEAN FEWER EMPLOYEES TO TAKE PHONE CALLS FROM
8 CLIENTS, INCREASED WAIT TIME FOR ASSISTANCE, LESS EMPLOYEES TO
9 COMPLETE AUDITS FOR COURT CASES, INCREASE THE DIFFICULTY AND
10 DELAYS IN RELEASING DRIVER'S LICENSE, CREDIT REPORTS, AND
11 RELEASE -- LETTING RELEASES OF NON-CUSTODIAL PARENTS. LAYOFFS
12 WOULD MEAN GOING BACK TO THE DAYS OF WHEN THE LOS ANGELES
13 COUNTY CHILD SUPPORT PROGRAM WAS THE OBJECT OF HARSH CRITICISM
14 FROM THE COMMUNITY AND LONG DELAYS AND LACK OF RESPONSE TO
15 PARENTS AND CHILDREN WHO ARE IN DESPERATE NEED OF OUR
16 ASSISTANCE. HONORABLE BOARD MEMBERS, WE CANNOT AND MUST NOT GO
17 BACK TO THOSE DAYS. AT THIS TIME, I WOULD LIKE TO INTRODUCE
18 JAN LINSALATO, I'M SORRY JAN, A CHILD SUPPORT OFFICER WHO
19 WORKS IN OUR CALL CENTER IN COMMERCE AND IS -- SHE'S ONE OF
20 THE DOZEN OF WORKERS WHO ARE DUE TO BE ISSUED A PINK SLIP
21 LATER THIS WEEK. THANK YOU.

22

23 **JANET LINSALATO:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS -- [APPLAUSE]

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1 **JANET LINSALATO:** MY NAME IS JANET LINSALATO, AND I'M A FAMILY
2 SUPPORT OFFICER WITH THE CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES DEPARTMENT.
3 FIVE YEARS AGO I WAS ON WELFARE, STRUGGLING TO RAISE MY FAMILY
4 ON MY OWN. IN JANUARY OF 1999, THANKS TO THE G.A.I.N. PROGRAM
5 AND HARD WORK, I MANAGED TO LAND THE JOB WITH THE DEPARTMENT
6 OF SOCIAL SERVICES. IN 2001, I PROMOTED TO MY CURRENT
7 POSITION. I AM PROUD AS A SINGLE MOTHER OF FOUR TO BE ABLE TO
8 PROVIDE FOR MY FAMILY AND TO TRY TO SET A POSITIVE EXAMPLE FOR
9 MY FOUR CHILDREN. NOW, ALL OF THAT IS THREATENED BY THE STATE
10 BUDGET CRISIS AND THE 10.6 MILLION DOLLARS OF BUDGET CUTS THAT
11 OUR DEPARTMENT WILL HAVE TO ABSORB. IT WILL MEAN THAT I AND
12 ABOUT A HUNDRED OTHERS LIKE ME WILL LOSE OUR JOBS. MY FAMILY
13 AND THEIR FAMILIES WILL SUFFER, AND THE CO-WORKERS THAT WE
14 LEAVE BEHIND WILL BE BURIED UNDER A MOUNTAIN OF ADDITIONAL
15 WORK. I LOVE MY JOB AND I WORK IN OUR DEPARTMENT'S CALL CENTER
16 FIELDING CALLS FROM CLIENTS NERVOUS ABOUT THEIR CASE, ANXIOUS
17 ABOUT LATE PAYMENTS, DESPERATE TO MAKE SURE THAT THEIR
18 CHILDREN HAVE A ROOF OVER THEIR HEADS AND ENOUGH TO EAT. IT
19 FEELS GOOD TO BE ABLE TO HELP AND EVEN BETTER TO KNOW THAT THE
20 FUNDS THAT WE COLLECT ARE A LIFE LINE TO THOUSANDS OF
21 VULNERABLE CHILDREN IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THE CALL CENTER
22 HANDLES CLOSE TO 90,000 CALLS IN A SINGLE WEEK. PRIOR TO IT
23 BEING ESTABLISHED, OUR CLIENTS FOUND IT NEARLY IMPOSSIBLE TO
24 REACH A CHILD SUPPORT OFFICER. THE CASELOADS ARE REALLY THAT
25 HIGH. NOW THAT WE HAVE A CREW OF FAMILY SUPPORT OFFICERS



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1 DEDICATED TO ANSWERING THEIR CALLS, THERE IS -- AND THAT THERE
2 IS INFORMATION AND REASSURANCE AT THE OTHER END OF THE LINE
3 INSTEAD OF A BUSY SIGNAL. OVER HALF OF MY CO-WORKERS AT THE
4 CALL CENTER ARE SLATED FOR LAYOFF. IF THAT HAPPENS, WHAT WILL
5 HAPPEN TO THE SINGLE MOMS AND DADS WHO RELY ON US TO BE THERE
6 TO HELP THEM WITH THEIR CASE? WHO WILL ANSWER THEIR QUESTIONS
7 AND HELP THEM WHEN WE ARE GONE?

8

9 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. YOUR TWO
10 MINUTES HAS EXPIRED. YES?

11

12 **ANTON SWENOTIA:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS ANTON SWENOTIA, I'M A
13 LOCAL 660 STEWARD AND I HAVE WORKED IN THE CHILD SUPPORT
14 PROGRAM FOR FIVE YEARS. YOU'VE HEARD LAWRENCE HILL OUTLAYING
15 SOME OF THE SERIOUS IMPACTS ON CHILDREN AND FAMILIES IF DOZENS
16 OF FRONTLINE WORKERS ARE CUT FROM THE CHILD SUPPORT PROGRAM.
17 UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATIONS, THE
18 CHILD SUPPORT DEPARTMENT WILL MOVE FORWARD IN LAYING OFF A
19 HUNDRED STAFF AT THE END OF THE MONTH TO SAVE 5.4 MILLION
20 DOLLARS TO BALANCE ITS BUDGET. JUST LAST WEEK, THE DEPARTMENT
21 GOT APPROVAL TO USE 1.36 MILLION DOLLARS IN UNSPENT HEALTH
22 INCENTIVES FUNDING FOR STAFFING. WE ASK THAT THESE FUNDS BE
23 USED TO RETAIN CHILD SUPPORT ALIGNED STAFF. THE FEDERAL MATCH
24 OF 2.72 MILLION DOLLARS SHOULD BE SOUGHT AND USED FOR THE SAME
25 PURPOSE. CRITICALLY WE ASK THAT THE FEDERAL MATCH DOLLARS BE



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1 PUT INTO THE CHILD SUPPORT'S BUDGET NOW BEFORE LINE STAFF
2 RECEIVE THEIR LAYOFF NOTICES. THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF CHILD
3 SUPPORT HAS STATED THAT IT IS HIGHLY LIKELY THAT SUCH A
4 FEDERAL MATCH WOULD BE RECEIVED AND FORESEES NO REASON WHY IT
5 WOULD BE FORTHCOMING. AND WE ARE PRESENTLY WORKING CLOSELY
6 WITH THE STATE DEPARTMENT IN DRAFTING A LETTER TO PUT THAT
7 CONFIRMATION IN WRITING. DOZENS OF STAFF WOULD BE LAID OFF
8 UNNECESSARILY AND THOUSANDS OF PARENTS AND CHILDREN WOULD BE
9 LEFT UNSERVED IF THE COUNTY IS OVERLY CONSERVATIVE IN ITS
10 BUDGET ASSUMPTIONS FOR THIS DEPARTMENT. SUPERVISORS, YOU MUST
11 PLAN FOR SUCCESS, NOT BUDGET FOR FAILURE. MOREOVER THERE ARE
12 ADDITIONAL OPTIONS THAT THE BOARD CAN PURSUE TO SAVE CHILD
13 SUPPORT AND AVOID CUTS IN VITAL SERVICES. FIRST, WE SUGGEST
14 THAT YOU DEACTIVATE THE 800 NUMBER UNTIL THE DEPARTMENT IS IN
15 A BETTER FINANCIAL SITUATION. THIS WOULD SAVE \$470,000.
16 SECOND, THE DEPARTMENT SPENDS ALMOST 25 MILLION DOLLARS
17 ANNUALLY ON AGREEMENTS WITH OTHER PRIVATE VENDORS AND COUNTY
18 DEPARTMENTS, INCLUDING THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY, I.S.D., COUNTY
19 COUNSEL, AND OTHERS. AN THOROUGH REVIEW AND ANALYSIS SHOULD BE
20 DONE TO FIND AT LEAST A 5% SAVINGS OR 1.25 MILLION DOLLARS.
21 THE OPTION THAT OFFERS THE MOST FUNDING IS TO REPLICATE THE
22 SAN DIEGO CHILD SUPPORT FUNDING MODEL. LAST YEAR LOS ANGELES
23 COUNTY CHILD SUPPORT PROVIDED 8 MILLION DOLLARS TO THE COUNTY
24 GENERAL FUND THROUGH THE COLLECTION OF PUBLIC ASSISTANCE AND
25 FOSTER CARE PAYMENTS. SAN DIEGO AND SAN JOAQUIN COUNTIES ARE



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1 ALLOWING THEIR CHILD SUPPORT DEPARTMENTS TO RETAIN THIS
2 FUNDING IN 2003/2004. L.A. COUNTY SHOULD DO THE SAME, AT LEAST
3 ON A ONE-YEAR BASIS IN ORDER TO AVOID LAYOFFS OF REVENUE-
4 GENERATING STAFF AND SUSTAINED COLLECTIONS. IF REVENUE-
5 GENERATING STAFF IS CUT AS PROPOSED, IT WILL NOT BE POSSIBLE
6 TO COLLECT 8 MILLION DOLLARS WORTH OF FOSTER CARE AND PUBLIC
7 ASSISTANT PAYMENTS. IF THE COUNTY ALLOWED THE DEPARTMENT TO
8 RETAIN THE FIRST 2 MILLION DOLLARS COLLECTED NO JOBS WOULD
9 NEED TO BE CUT BECAUSE THE FEDS WILL MATCH EVERY DOLLAR WITH
10 TWO. FINALLY, SUPERVISORS, I AM ONE OF HUNDREDS OF CHILD
11 SUPPORT WORKERS WHO HAVE TRAVELED WITH LOCAL 660 IT SACRAMENTO
12 TO LOBBY OUR STATE OFFICIALS ON BEHALF OF L.A. COUNTY. TIME
13 AND AGAIN, WE WERE TOLD THAT L.A. COUNTY CHILD SUPPORT IS TOO
14 TOP-HEAVY WITH TOO MANY ATTORNEYS AND SIX LAYERS OF
15 MANAGEMENT. OUR GOAL IS TO STOP ALL CUTS, BUT IF CUTS ARE
16 ULTIMATELY IMPLEMENTED, A MORE BALANCED AND CLIENT-BASED
17 APPROACH TO STAFF REDUCTIONS SHOULD BE TAKEN. REVENUE-
18 GENERATING STAFF, PRIMARILY CHILD SUPPORT OFFICERS AND SUPPORT
19 STAFF, SHOULD BE GIVEN HIGHEST PRIORITY. WE APPRECIATE THAT IN
20 THE PAST WEEK, BUDGET IDEAS WERE IDENTIFIED TO PRESERVE 107
21 JOBS. WE WANT TO CONTINUE TO WORK WITH YOU TO SAVE ALL JOBS
22 AND MAINTAIN THE HIGHEST LEVEL OF SERVICE TO OUR CLIENTS.
23 THANK YOU. [ENTHUSIASTIC CHEERS AND APPLAUSE]
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1 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THANK YOU. WE WANT TO
2 THANK YOU AND WE'RE VERY CONCERNED WITH TRYING TO ADDRESS THIS
3 PROBLEM, AND WE WILL BE LOOKING AT ALL OF THE THINGS YOU
4 SUGGESTED. WE WILL CONTINUE TO WORK ON TRYING TO ARRIVE AT --
5 WE DON'T WANT TO SEE A CUT IN TERMS OF THE EMPLOYEES THAT ARE
6 ADDRESSING CHILD SUPPORT, BECAUSE IT'S VERY CRUCIAL. WE WILL
7 CONTINUE TO LOOK AT YOUR SUGGESTIONS, BUT WE'RE ALSO GOING TO
8 CONTINUE TO MEET WITH THE STATE, BECAUSE WE DON'T GET OUR
9 SHARE OF THE MONEY, AND WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO BE SURE THAT WE
10 CONTINUE TO FIGHT TO GET THE FORMULA CHANGE SO THAT WE GET
11 ADEQUATE MONEY TO CARRY ON THE RESPONSIBILITIES WE'VE BEEN
12 GIVEN. AND SO WE WANTED TO SAY THAT WE WILL CONTINUE TO WORK
13 WITH YOU ON THAT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [ENTHUSIASTIC CHEERS
14 AND APPLAUSE]

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16 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WE HAVE TWO OTHER PEOPLE WHO HAVE ASKED FOR
17 PUBLIC COMMENT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WERE THERE OTHER PEOPLE
18 WHO HAD ANY COMMENTS? WE HAVE TWO PEOPLE WHO'VE ASKED FOR
19 COMMENT AND WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO ASK YOU TO DO IT VERY FAST
20 FOR TWO MINUTES. RICHARD ROBINSON AND JUNE COWGILL. BECAUSE WE
21 ARE GOING TO -- PLEASE COME UP, THE TWO PEOPLE, RICHARD -- IS
22 IT RICHARD ROBINSON? AND JUNE COWGILL, PLEASE COME FORWARD,
23 BECAUSE WE'RE -- AND WE'RE GOING TO ASK YOU TO PLEASE EXIT
24 VERY FAST AND VERY QUIETLY SO THAT WE CAN GET TO THIS NEXT
25 ISSUE, WHICH IS SO URGENT. YES, PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME.



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2 **JUNE COWGILL:** MY NAME IS JUNE COWGILL, AND I'D LIKE TO THANK
3 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS -- [MIXED VOICES]

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5 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** PLEASE, NO TALKING PLEASE, SOMEONE IS
6 SPEAKING.

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8 **JUNE COWGILL:** I'D LIKE TO THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR
9 GIVING ME THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK. I'M HERE TODAY AS A
10 LAVINIA RESIDENT. I AM C.F.O. OF THE LAVINIA BOARD OF
11 DIRECTORS AND A MEMBER OF THE LOMA ALTA COMMUNITY COMMITTEE. I
12 WISH TO ADDRESS THE LAVINIA MELARUSE AUDIT WHICH WAS RELEASED
13 LAST FRIDAY AND NOW IS PART OF THE PUBLIC RECORD. THIS AUDIT
14 REPRESENTS THE FIRST TIME A PUBLIC MELARUSE BOND FUND HAS BEEN
15 AUDITED. OUR COMMUNITY WISHES TO COMMEND THE HIGH CALIBER WORK
16 OF THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER'S OFFICE. THE AUDIT IS VERY
17 THOROUGH, WELL WRITTEN, AND WELL DOCUMENTED. WE ESPECIALLY
18 WISH TO SPECIFICALLY THANK DEWITT ROBERTS, DIVISION CHIEF,
19 JOSEPH KELLY, C.P.A., AND TEAM LEADER ENYUNG QUAN, C.P.A. WE
20 ALSO WISH TO THANK SUPERVISOR MICHAEL ANTONOVICH AND CHIEF
21 DEPUTY KATHERINE BARKER. IT TAKES AN ETHICAL AND SECURE PUBLIC
22 LEADER TO TAKE ON A BUILDER. SUMMARIZING THE AUDIT QUICKLY,
23 THE AUDIT FOUND THAT 1.7 MILLION IN ELIGIBLE AND QUESTIONABLE
24 DRAWS BY BROOKFIELD HOMES WAS MADE AGAINST THIS MELARUSE. THIS
25 IS CONCERNING, TO SAY THE LEAST. FOR THE RECORD, I WANT TO



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1 MAKE JUST TWO OBSERVATIONS. WE ARE NOT CONVINCED THAT THE
2 PROBLEMS IDENTIFIED IN THE AUDIT CAN BE RESOLVED THROUGH THE
3 AUSPICES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. WE WOULD RECOMMEND
4 THAT A THIRD PARTY, WHO HAS NOTHING TO GAIN FROM A FINESSE BE
5 ASSIGNED TO THE TASK. WE ARE ALSO CONCERNED THAT THE MELARUSE
6 DISTRICT ITSELF, C.F.D. 7, HAS POTENTIAL EXPOSURE TO
7 LITIGATION BY THE BOND HOLDERS. LITIGATION COULD AFFECT THE
8 SOURCE OF FUNDS. THE SOURCE OF FUNDS, OF COURSE, IS THE
9 LAVINIA TAXPAYERS AND HOMEOWNERS. WE PLAN TO EXAMINE THIS
10 OURSELVES AND THESE POSSIBILITIES THROUGH FORMATION OF A
11 COMMITTEE OF ATTORNEYS WHO ARE SPECIALISTS IN MELARUSE ISSUES.
12 IN CONCLUSION, WE AGAIN WISH TO THANK THE AUDITORS AND MR.
13 ANTONOVICH FOR A JOB VERY, VERY WELL DONE. THANK YOU.

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15 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MR. ROBINSON HAS NOT COME
16 FORWARD, WITH THAT WE WILL HAVE TO GO INTO CLOSED COMMENT --
17 PUBLIC COMMENT IS CONCLUDED, WE GO INTO CLOSED SESSION.

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19 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS
20 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL
21 CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEMS CS-1 AND CS-2,
22 CONFERENCES WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING EXISTING LITIGATION,
23 ITEM CS-3, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNCIL REGARDING INITIATION
24 OF LITIGATION ONE CASE, AND ITEM CS-4, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL
25 COUNSEL REGARDING SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION, TWO



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1 CASES, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA. ALSO CONFERENCE WITH
2 LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION,
3 ONE CASE, AS AUTHORIZED BY AGENDA NUMBER 62B ON THE POSTED
4 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. THANK YOU.

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6 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT THANK YOU. COULD I ASK EVERYONE
7 TO GO IN AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY HAS TO
8 LEAVE IN 30 MINUTES.

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10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET'S HAVE A MOTION FOR NEXT WEEK RELATIVE TO
11 A WATER ISSUE IN THE SANTA CLARITA, ANTELOPE VALLEY THAT WE
12 PUT ON THE AGENDA.

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1 REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION,

2 TUESDAY, JULY 15, 2003.

3 For your information, there was no reportable action as a
4 result of today's closed session.

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